**ARTICLE 9 CONGREGATIONS IN UNION WITH CONVENTION**

Every Parish and Mission in this Diocese in existence at the time of the organization of the Diocese and every Parish and Mission which shall have been created and admitted in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese shall be deemed to be in union with and entitled to representation in the Convention of the Diocese, unless deprived of such right either through suspension or dissolution.

If a Parish or Mission shall fail to pay its assessment as levied by the Convention, it may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention by a concurrent majority of both orders.

With the consent of the Bishop, any Parish or Mission which shall fail to conform with requirements prescribed by Canon or special resolution may be wholly dissolved by a concurrent two-thirds vote of both orders. Such action can be taken only at an Annual Convention prescribed by Canon or special resolution may be wholly dissolved by a concurrent two-thirds vote of both orders. Such action can be taken only at Annual Convention.

**ARTICLE 13 TITLE TO CHURCH PROPERTY**

The title to all real property acquired for the use of the Church in this Diocese, which includes all Parishes, Missions and Diocesan Institutions, shall be held in the name of “Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas” (known as the “Diocesan Corporation”), pursuant to, and in all ways administered, dealt with, and disposed of as specified in the Canons of the Diocese.

**ARTICLE 14 POWER TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS**

The Convention of this Diocese shall have power, either by Canon or by special resolution, to raise money by assessment or other means upon the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese; and the manner of fixing such assessment upon the various Parishes and Missions may either be specified by Canon or by a resolution of the Convention.

The Convention may by Canon prescribe such regulations and penalties as it may deem expedient to secure the prompt payment of assessments.