

**Notice of Nominations from the Floor
For the Election of the Next Bishop Suffragan
for the
Armed Forces**
(otherwise known as Federal Ministries)

A petition process for consideration of nominations from the floor of candidates for election to the Office of Bishop Suffragan for the Armed Forces (otherwise known as Federal Ministries), which will be held by the House of Bishops pursuant to Art. II.7 of the Constitution at Camp Allen during the forthcoming March, 2010 meeting of the House, is now open.

Pursuant to the consensus of the House by a previous ballot, any person who is to be considered for election by nomination from the floor will need to be the subject of a petition to that effect signed by of a minimum of three (3) bishops canonically resident in three (3) different Dioceses received by electronic or regular mail by the Office of Pastoral Development c/o Lindy Emory (lemory@episcopalchurch.org; 2857 Trent Road, New Bern, NC 28562) by **NOON on February 12, 2010**. One such bishop shall be canonically resident in the Diocese of the proposed nominee, and he or she shall make the nomination from the floor at the appropriate time.

The "background-check" process will begin immediately upon receipt of the name to be placed into nomination from the floor; so that all such checks can be completed by the time of the "walk about", which will begin on Friday, March 19, 2010 during the opening day of the meeting.

The names of all nominees will be made known to the House by 5 p.m. on February 26, 2010 with the following phrase "pending the successful completion of background checks". Each potential petition nominee and his or her bishop nominator will need to consider this prior to having his or her name submitted by petition. Any withdrawal from the petition process on or after February 26th will appear as though it was for reasons associated with the background check.

Information regarding all nominees will be posted on the web site for bishops prior to the opening day of the meeting.