LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM VESTRY AND RECTOR
Title III, Canon 6.6(b)(2)

(The Rector and Vestry must reaffirm the certificate)

To: The Bishop and Commission on Ministry of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts

Parish Name Date

We, whose names appear below, certify that is a confirmed adult communicant in good standing of this Parish. We declare that, in our opinion, this person possesses such qualifications as would be fitting for admission as a Deacon. This judgment is based on our personal knowledge or other evidence.

Note: The Vestry is expected to attach a statement of the grounds upon which they judge the Nominee to be “fitting for ordination to the diaconate,” to be specific about the qualification they perceive the Candidate to possess and to state whether this is based on personal information or what other evidence is used to make the judgment. Attestation MUST be in the form below and signed by the Rector and two-thirds of the members of the Vestry.

ATTESTATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of duly convened at

Parish on the day of

Time Date Month Year

and that the names attached are those of all (or a two-thirds majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

Clerk/Secretary of Vestry Rector