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Rev Lindsay Cullen
Assembly General Secretary (Interim)
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Dear Lindsay,

The VicTas Synod Standing Committee (SSC) is considering the request to consider nominations for the role of President-elect. It is currently in a process to do this. However, its next meeting is scheduled for Saturday 13 April, the day after nominations close for President elect. The SSC recognises that the closing date for nominations is regulated, and would also like to continue its nominee discernment process. Therefore, at its meeting on Saturday 10 February 2024, the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania Standing Committee resolved (SC 24.8.7A):

That in accordance with Reg. 3.10.1(a), to request the Assembly Standing Committee to grant an extension of time regarding Reg. 3.6.4.1(d) from 12 April 2024 to 17 April 2024, for the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania Standing Committee to submit nomination(s) and associated documents for the President-elect.

Given the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania Standing Committee may be considering nominations potentially at its 13 April 2024 meeting, one day after the closure date for President-elect nominations, on behalf of the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania Standing Committee, I request the Assembly Standing Committee to grant an exemption from Reg. 3.10.1(a) to extend the closure of nomination date to Wednesday 17 April 2024. The reason for requesting 17 April 2024 is to allow time for the necessary 'paperwork' to be finalised and to submit a nomination, if this transpires, by this date.

Both David Fotheringham and I will be at the March 2024 ASC meeting to speak to this request, should the President and you consider this to be appropriate.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding this correspondence.

Grace and peace,

Rev Dr Mark Lawrence
General Secretary

cc. Rev Sharon Hollis, Assembly President
Rev David Fotheringham, VicTas Synod Moderator

