

# **DIOCESE OF WAIKATO AND TARANAKI**

## **STATUTE NO 43**

### **THE HONORARY TITLES AND AWARDS STATUTE 2012**

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows –

**1. TITLE**

This Statute is The Honorary Titles and Awards Statute 2012.

**2. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Statute is to make provision for the conferring of honorary titles and awards and to recognise titles already conferred.

**3. COMMENCEMENT**

This Statute shall come into force at the conclusion of the Synod at which it is enacted.

**4. THE TITLE “EMERITUS”**

(1) The Bishops shall have the discretion to confer the title “Emeritus” upon the retirement of any person who has held a position which required a Bishops’ Licence or to whom a Ministry Certificate was issued by a parish under The Lay Ministry Licences Statute 2011.

(2) The conferring of the title “Emeritus” shall be recorded in the Diocesan Registers as an Act of the Bishops, but shall not imply or confer any right to continue to act in the position from which the holder has retired.

**5. DEED OF RECOGNITION**

The Bishops may authorise the issue of a Deed of Recognition to any person who has, in their opinion, given meritorious service to -

- (a) any parish in the Diocese, or
- (b) the Diocese, or
- (c) the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, or
- (d) the Anglican Communion.

**6. TITLES AND AWARDS ALREADY CONFERRED**

Where a title has been conferred prior to the commencement of this Statute, the recipient may continue to use the title as if it had been conferred after the enactment of this Statute but in all other respects, the provisions of this Statute shall apply.