

REPORT OF THE 2022 RESOLUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Worthy Members of the State Council,

As required by the State Bylaws, a Resolutions and Bylaws committee was appointed by the State Deputy to review the resolutions passed by councils as well as the proposed bylaw modifications.

This report provides to the State Council our recommendations on these matters.

Committee

A special word of thanks is given the following men who provided invaluable assistance, guidance and direction in the review of the resolutions and the formulation of the changes to the State Bylaws.

- Pat Jackson, State Advocate, Chair
- Danny Garcia, State Secretary
- Paul McKinney, DD 13
- Marty Felsman, GK 2737
- Jack Porter, GK 6727

RESOLUTIONS

The committee reviewed several resolutions, which are summarized below. They are found in full in Appendix A of this document. The committee recommends adoption of all resolutions.

- Resolution 1
Gratitude to the supreme council
- Resolution 2
Appreciation and unwavering support for Pope Francis
- Resolution 3
Thanking All Local, State, Federal Law Enforcement, And First Responders For Their Service
- Resolution 4
In Support Of Our Military

BYLAWS

The committee reviewed 22 changes to the bylaws. All changes were unanimously agreed upon by the committee, and the adoption of these changes is recommended.

In Article 1 the language was rephrased to simpler wording to be easier to understand.

In Article 2 the language was rephrased to simpler wording to be easier to understand. The requirement to send a list of delegates on Council stationary was struck to permit digital transmission.

In Article 3 the language was rephrased to simpler wording to be easier to understand.

In Article 4 the language was rephrased to simpler wording to be easier to understand. Section 9, defining the role of the State Chaplain was added.

In Article 5, Section 1, all language related to convention packages was removed. In Section 3 language permitting a designated subordinate council to host the convention was added. In Section 4 a typo error was corrected.

In Article 6 Section 1 a typo error was corrected. In Section 2 language was added to permit digital balloting. In Section 4 a typo error was corrected.

In Article 7 Section 3 the State Advocate is noted as serving as the chairman of the Resolutions committee. In Section 4 a typo error was corrected. In Section 7 the list of officers to receive mileage was corrected to reflect the current offices that exist as noted in Article 5 Section 1. In Section 8 the awards categories noted were aligned with the Faith in Action categories. In Section 9 a typo error was corrected.

In Article 8 Section 1 a typo error was corrected.

In Article 9 Section 2 was rewritten with simpler wording to be easier to understand. It now requires funds be deposited in fiscally conservative accounts instead of in institutions paying the highest interest rate. This simplifies management of accounts as rates change. In Section 3 language was added to allow for digital movement of funds in alignment with modern banking. In Section 6 a typo error was corrected.

In Article 11 submissions of changes to Bylaws and Resolutions will now be done digitally instead of submitting printed copies in triplicate.

In Article 13 Section 1 removed “or all” for submission requirement.

Fraternally,
Pat Jackson, State Advocate, Chair Resolutions and Bylaws Committee
Danny Garcia, State Secretary
Paul McKinney, DD 13
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Respectfully Submitted, April 19, 2022

Appendix A
Resolutions

Resolution – 1

GRATITUDE TO THE SUPREME COUNCIL

To Whom This May Come:

WHEREAS: The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic fraternal and service organization in the world; and,

WHEREAS: The Knights of Columbus is enjoying growth in its Membership and Insurance in force; and,

WHEREAS: The State of Alabama could not be a Leader in the Knights of Columbus without the guidance, leadership, and assistance from the Supreme Knight, Supreme Chaplain, Supreme Board of Directors, General and Field Agents, and the Supreme Representative; and,

WHEREAS: The dedication of all those working at the Supreme Council is displayed everyday through assistance to our State Council and its membership;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Knights of Columbus membership of the State of Alabama meeting on April 23, 2022 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, wishes to thank the Supreme Knight, Supreme Chaplain, the Supreme Board of Directors, General and Field Agents, and the Supreme Representative for a job well done, and asks the Supreme Knight to relay our gratitude to all those who work tirelessly for the success of the Alabama State Council, and all of the councils of the Order.

Resolution - 2

**APPRECIATION AND UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR
POPE FRANCIS**

To Whom This May Come:

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has been a faithful servant of the Church and global Christian community throughout his lifetime; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has faithfully and dutifully served the Church and needs of the global Christian community since his election as Supreme Pontiff in March 2013; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis known for his humility, his emphasis on God’s mercy, his concern for the poor, and his commitment to interfaith dialogue, and has ardently worked to maintain that the Church should be more open and welcoming; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis maintains the traditional views of the Church and has been a major supporter of the cause of the Culture of Life; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis served the Church in the role of Cardinal from his native country, Argentina; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has been a champion for world peace; and,

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has traveled extensively around the world spreading the gospel of Christ;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Knights of Columbus membership of the State of Alabama meeting on April 23, 2022 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama hereby petitions the Supreme Council to express our deepest appreciation to Pope Francis and dedicate our unwavering support to him in serving the Church and the needs of the global Christian community.

Resolution - 3

Thanking All Local, State, Federal Law Enforcement, And First Responders For Their Service

To Whom This May Come:

WHEREAS: The men and women of our local, state, and federal law enforcement and first responder agencies, regularly put their lives on the line on a daily basis to protect and to serve all; and,

WHEREAS: The members of our local, state, and federal first responder agencies are working hard each and every day to ensure that our lives and property are safe; and,

WHEREAS: Many of the men and women who proudly serve in local, state, and federal law enforcement and first responder agencies are Catholic Christians; and,

WHEREAS: Many of these men and women are Knights or family and friends of Knights; and,

WHEREAS: Supporting local, state, and federal law enforcement and first responder agencies is a major focus of the Knights of Columbus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Knights of Columbus membership of the State of Alabama meeting on April 23, 2022 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama hereby petitions the Supreme Council to express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all our local, state, and federal law enforcement and first responder agencies, and pledge our unwavering support to them and offer our continuous prayers for their safety.

Resolution – 4

IN SUPPORT OF OUR MILITARY

To Whom This May Come:

WHEREAS: The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus has supported our Military since the beginning of our Beloved Order; and,

WHEREAS: The Supreme Council has worked diligently to provide aid and support the men and women who both currently serve and have served our country; and,

WHEREAS: The Supreme Council has programs to aid our wounded warriors as they return home to their families; and,

WHEREAS: The Supreme Council holds a special place in the hearts and minds of all Brother Knights;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Knights of Columbus membership of the State of Alabama meeting on April 23, 2022 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama hereby asks the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus to thank these brave men and women for their service to the United States of America.