

## Resolution 2017-01

### RESOLUTION TO THANK SUPREME REPRESENTATIVE

**Whereas** the New Hampshire, Knights of Columbus wishes to extend our thanks and praise to our guest, Matthew A. St. John from the Supreme Council, to our Annual State Convention on April 28, 29, 30, 2017.

**Therefore, be it resolved that** the Supreme Secretary, Michael J. O'Connor enter said into the meeting of the Order.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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#### RESOLUTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

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## Resolution 2017-02

### RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF POPE FRANCIS

**Resolved** that the Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire extend our continued support and loyalty to His Holiness, Pope Francis

**Be it further resolved that** God protect him from all harm. and that we express our gratefulness and prayers in this eightieth year of His Holiness, Pope Frances.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## Resolution 2017-03

### RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF HIS HOLINESS POPE BENEDICT XVI EMERITUS

**Resolved** that the Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire pray for His Holiness Benedict XVI

**Be it further resolved that** we wish him good health, peace, and we offer our prayers to him in his retirement.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

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## Resolution 2017-04

### RESOLUTION FOR THE SALUTATIONS TO SUPREME CHAPLAIN

**Resolved** that we the members of the Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire express our gratitude and prayers for the continued good works and enlightenment of the Most Reverend William F. Lori, Supreme Chaplain.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

## Resolution 2017-05

### RESOLUTION FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY

**Resolved** that we pray for the beatification of the Founder of the Knights of Columbus, the greatest Organization in the World,

**Be it further resolved that** we commit ourselves to follow Father McGivney's faithful service to God and Country.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

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## Resolution 2017-06

### RESOLUTION OF FELICITATION TO SUPREME KNIGHT

**Resolved** that that we members of the Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire wish to express our gratitude and prayers for Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson leadership and the course of action he takes for the growth of the Order

**Be it further resolved that** we extend to the Supreme Officers and Board of Directors our continued prayers as they continue their service to the Order.

**Sponsor:** Knights of Columbus of New Hampshire

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

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## Resolution 2017-11

### RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE STATE GRANITE AWARD BANQUET

**Whereas** the State Granite Award Banquet was set up about twenty-six years ago as a legacy and;

**Whereas** it has not lived up to what it was meant to be and without it changing its format it should be seceded by you delegates what direction this event should go in;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** A permanent committee be established with the responsibility of determining the disposition, logistics and promotion of the State Granite Award Banquet program.

**Sponsor:** Edward F. Mele, Jr. PSD, Executive Secretary

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### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

## Resolution 2017-12

### RESOLUTION TO REVIEW DELEGATES DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**Whereas** by the Supreme Council Constitution, Chapter 11, Sec. 12 (a) State Councils shall consist of all State Officers and two Delegates, the Grand Knight and the Past Grand Knight, from each subordinate council in good standing, if the council has no Past Grand Knight may elect a Third Degree member in good standing. Each subordinate council shall elect alternates for its representatives in the State Council;

**Whereas** the State Council consists of State Deputy, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Advocate, State Warden, State Chaplain is appointed, Immediate Past State Deputy is part of the State Officers, and Delegates to be present at the Annual State Convention (Meeting), and major State Functions and;

**Whereas** all councils are part of the State Council and are expected to support all the functions that their councils approved of at the Annual Meeting by ratifying the Resolutions that were presented. If the Councils now are not approving of these functions, then the Councils can put a Resolution into the Annual State Convention Meeting, to change said functions;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** councils if they approve of these functions should put in their budgets money for all State Functions for their Delegates to attend. If they think that these functions in this day and time are not relevant than a hand count or a ballot be taking to let it be known how the 136 Delegates feel.

**Sponsor:** Edward F. Mele, Jr. PSD, Executive Secretary

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

## **Resolution 2017-13**

### **RESOLUTION TO REVIEW PROTOCOL**

**Whereas** a very important part of our Order that seems to have been forgotten is Protocol. This is nothing more than common courtesy and respect for our elected officers and our brother knights;

**Whereas** you can find the proper rules of protocol in your Hand Book, Roberts Rules and in your Charter Constitution and By-Laws;

**Whereas** all Grand Knights should take the time to read their Hand Book and know the various protocol for situations containing to them and;

**Whereas** District Deputies should also read their Hand Books too;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** State officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Officers should be wearing jackets and ties at meetings and everyone should be cordial

**Sponsor:** Edward F. Mele, Jr. PSD, Executive Secretary

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## Resolution 2017-15

### RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE STATE KIDNEY BY-LAWS

**Whereas** the New Hampshire State Council of the Knights of Columbus has supported persons needing assistance with non-covered and co-pay costs associated with dialysis;

**Whereas** the New Hampshire State Council has noticed a decided down turn in request for assistance;

**Whereas** the authorization for the State Council to solicit funds, manage the funds and distribute funds has expired and;

**Whereas** the need for assistance of those seeking assistance with kidney transplant and kidney disease recovery is great;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** the following rules are proposed as a standing Resolution set to expire in 5-years and requiring a re-examination of the process for improvements at that time;

1. The Kidney Fund be administered by the Executive Board of the NH State Council with nonvoting advisors of the State Kidney Chairman and two District Deputies appointed by the State Deputy.
2. The Kidney Fund be reviewed each year at the January Executive Board meeting for proposed improvement changes which will be submitted as Resolutions for the State Council Delegates to vote on at the State Convention.
3. The level of financial support be set by the Executive Board each year based on the financial condition of the Kidney Fund, the number of patients currently being supported, the average and maximum yearly expenditures for all Program Patients and recommendations of the NH State Council Kidney Chairman and the State Secretary.
4. Exception funding of patients in financial need past the currently set quarterly limit, be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee based on sound financial decision making with regards to the health of the Kidney Fund and on the basis of charity.
5. The State Secretary be responsible for composing standard operating practices for the operation of the State Kidney Fund and they be approved by the Executive Board of the NH State Council. Revisions to all operating practices will be submitted as needed by the current serving State Secretary to the Executive Board for review and approval. These operating practices be published electronically and made available to all State Council Delegates.
6. The Kidney Fund coverage of kidney prescriptions be expanded to those patients who have received kidney transplants and are in financial need.

**Be it further resolved that** the New Hampshire State Council of the Knights of Columbus create a continuing program call The Kidney Fund to continue providing assistance to dialysis persons in need and in conjunction with any entity wishing to help provide nephrology transplant services to the needed and distressed. Such Program to be reviewed every 5 years by the Executive Committee and a recommendation for continuance or discontinuance be then made to the Membership of the State Council;

**Be it further resolved that** this Resolution authorized the Executive Committee to enter into agreement with entities providing medical nephrology services to raise funds and assist in the distribution of those funds to those in most need throughout the jurisdiction and its environs and that the State Secretary create a set of general rules for this program to be implemented by the Kidney Fund Director.

**Sponsors:** NH State Council Executive Committee and the Director of the Kidney Fund.  
Greg Taillon, PSD State Training & Development Director

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### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ MOTION FAILED

## **Resolution 2017-16**

### **RESOLUTION ON THE STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**Whereas** the State Scholarship program is over fifty years of age;

**Whereas** in 1995 a resolution was passed to have the Scholarship program to be held at the same time as the State Ball;

**Whereas** the scholarship program is not meeting the needs of present day necessity;

**Whereas** a new format has to be created to address the needs of today and in the future of the Scholarship programs financial stability and;

**Whereas** the Silent Auction that has been added to the event will be a help with finances;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** the Silent Auction become a larger part of the proceedings and a committee be convened to find a better format to present the Scholarship Awards

**Sponsor:** Edward F. Mele, Jr., PSD

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

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## **Resolution 2017-17**

### **RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH VETERAN AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVES IN ALL LOCAL COUNCILS**

**Whereas** the Veteran Affairs Committee was established by the NH State Council and;

**Whereas** the Veteran Affairs Committee's purpose is to support NH veterans and their families in need by raising monies to assist these needs;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** every active council should appoint a Veteran Affairs Representative.

**Sponsor:** Respectively submitted, Robert Garand, State Council Veteran Chairman

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**



## Resolution 2017-18

### A RESOLUTION FOR DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION ABOUT MEMBERS DECLARED FOR STATE OFFICER POSITIONS

**Whereas** State Council delegates can change drastically each year;

**Whereas** Third Degree Members of the New Hampshire State Council who have declared their intent to run for State Officer positions may not be well known to members outside their council or district;

**Whereas** it is an intent of the Order's By-Laws Section 23 "Appeals For Political Support" to minimize politicking;

**Whereas** current computer technology allows the quick and easy distribution of information to members of the State Council;

**Whereas** at the Winter Gathering of the State Council, members declare their intent to run for State Officer positions and;

**Whereas** this resolution was previously passed in 2011 been successfully used in multiple State Council elections;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** these declared members be given the opportunity to provide answers to the following questions and those answers be provided to State Council voting delegates via email

1. Tell us a little about yourself and family.
2. What leadership experience have you had that would help you serve in the officer position you have declared for?
3. What do you believe are the key challenges for the NH State Council to continue its Christian Mission? What ideas do you have to help address these challenges?
4. Should you get elected and progress thru the State chairs, what would you like to accomplish if given the opportunity to someday become State Deputy?

**Be it further resolved that** any member who has not declared his intent to run for a State Officer position at the Winter Quarterly but wishes to, between then and the State Convention will be given the opportunity to answer the questions above. Their answers will be emailed to all Councils as well as being added to the State Website. The intent of this is to include all potential candidates in this information exchange, independent of the date of their declaration of intent to run for a State Officer position.

**Sponsor:** Greg Taillon, Past State Deputy

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Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## Resolution 2017-20

### RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO STATE FUNCTIONS FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

**Whereas** the New Hampshire, State Council has functions throughout the fraternal year;

**Whereas** we all agreed that State Functions be used as fund raisers for certain charities;

**Whereas** there are an inevitable amount of free tickets given out and that seems to have gotten out of hand and;

**Whereas** a change needs to be made in the format of who gets these free tickets;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** a minimum number of tickets to be used for Priests, State Deputy, recipients and others that might apply, not to exceed 4 without cause;

**Be it further resolved that** all others are required to obtain their own tickets paid for by whatever means deemed appropriate for the function.

**Sponsor:** PSD Edward F. Mele, Jr.

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

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## Resolution 2017-21

### RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO PRIESTS AND THE FIRST DEGREE

**Whereas** Supreme Office has stated that Priests going through the First Degree will be an observer only and;

**Whereas** some councils are uncertain of what to do when they have a Priest in their class;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** a Priest joining the Knights of Columbus should be told the First Principle of the Order and Issued a Membership Card;

**Be it further resolved that** the Priest shall, as his schedule and availability permits, be allowed and encouraged to attend a First Degree as an observer.

**Sponsor:** PSD Edward F. Mele, Jr.

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#### CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)

Motion to Accept for Consideration    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## **Resolution 2017-22**

### **RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO DISTRICT DEPUTIES**

**Whereas** the District Deputies are being taxed to the limit with personal involvement with work, family, Church and Council commitments,

**Whereas** District Deputies now are offering support to as many as six councils within their districts, some of which meet on the same night and;

**Whereas** having so many Councils the travel expense and time commitment begs for charitable relief;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** a different formula for assigning districts taking into consideration distance of travel and meeting nights be devised recommending a suggested maximum of four (4) Councils per District to more efficiently conduct the affairs of the Order.

**Sponsor:** PSD Edward F. Mele, Jr.

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

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## **Resolution 2017-23**

### **RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE ADDITION TO THE BISHOP MATTHEW F. BRADY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**Whereas** our Bishop Matthew F. Brady Memorial Scholarship Program was established to assist a Brother in Good Standing, his wife or his children entering into or continuing higher education and;

**Whereas** some Members, being grandparents have taken custody of their grandchildren or even great grandchildren for various reasons,

**Therefore, be it resolved that** these dependants of a Member in Good Standing shall be eligible for consideration in the granting of scholarship funds from the Bishop Matthew F. Brady Memorial Scholarship Fund.

**Sponsor:** PSD Edward F. Mele, Jr.

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## **Resolution 2017-24**

### **RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO DELEGATES TO SUPREME CONVENTION**

**Whereas** the New Hampshire State Council is entitled to five (5) delegates to the Supreme Convention,

**Whereas** the State Deputy and Immediate Past State Deputy are automatically entitled to represent New Hampshire,

**Whereas** one insurance and two associate delegates are elected from the membership of the State Council to compete the roster of five (5) delegates, and

**Whereas** one of the purposes of the Order is to build leadership within The Church, Order and general society and participation in the Supreme Convention is part of the development of leadership;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** these delegates, if running for the position of delegate for a third year in a row, shall be required to wait a year before resubmitting their name for consideration to the State Council Membership as a delegate.

**Sponsor:** PSD Edward F. Mele, Jr.

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#### **RESOLUTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**

## **Resolution 2017-26**

### **RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE BISHOP MATTHEW F. BRADY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Whereas** Bishop Matthew Brady was named the fifth Bishop of Manchester, New Hampshire, by Pope Pius XII on November 11, 1944;

**Whereas** he presided over a period of unprecedented growth in the Manchester Diocese, founding 27 parishes in 11 years and authorizing the construction of nearly 50 churches and numerous schools, convents, and other facilities;

**Whereas** he also increased the number of Catholics by 50,000, and the number of priests and religious from around 650 to over 1,600;

**Whereas** for all these accomplishments he was nicknamed "Brady the Builder";

**Whereas** the Knights of Columbus New Hampshire State Council solicits scholarship applications in memorial of Bishop Matthew Brady from eligible applicants as defined by applicable current state council resolutions, including information relating to the academic potential and the financial need of the applicants;

**Whereas** the Knights of Columbus New Hampshire State Council annually awards four (4) such scholarships in the amount of \$750.00 each as determined by the executive board of the state council and;

**Whereas** the Knights of Columbus State Council values its commitment to religious vocations by actively support vocations to the priesthood and religious life through the RSVP and Penny-A-Day-A- Knight programs;

**Therefore, be it resolved that** the Knights of Columbus New Hampshire State Council shall annually award one (1) additional scholarship to an eligible seminarian, postulant, or someone in the religious vocation formation process as determined by the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Manchester in the amount of \$1,250.00.

**Sponsors:** Richard McDermott, IPSD; Ed Mele, PSD, Vocations Director

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#### **CONVENTION ACTION: (Presented on the floor)**

**Motion to Accept for Consideration**    ☒ **MOTION PASSED**    ☐ **MOTION FAILED**