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RESOLUTIONS

127TH STATE CONVENTION

**OHIO STATE
COUNCIL KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

COLUMBUS, OHIO – MAY 23, 2026

**MICHAEL FELERSKI
STATE DEPUTY**

**ANTHONY OFFENBERGER
STATE ADVOCATE**

RESOLUTION NO.1

WHEREAS, Blessed Michael McGivney was a dedicated priest, serving as the pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus with the help of several men of St. Mary's Parish in New Haven in 1882 to strengthen their faith and to provide financial assistance in the event of their death to the widows and orphans they left behind; and

WHEREAS, the cause for Blessed Michael McGivney's sainthood was opened by Hartford Archbishop Daniel A. Cronin in December 1997 and was presented to the Vatican in 2000, and is now under review by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, March 15, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI approved a decree recognizing the heroic virtue of Blessed Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, and with this declaration significantly advanced Blessed Michael McGivney's process toward sainthood; and

WHEREAS, Blessed Michael McGivney joined the rolls of the Blessed on October 31, 2021, in the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut at which time, an Apostolic Letter from Pope Francis was read which recognized Blessed Michael McGivney's humility, charity and concern for the welfare of all people; and

WHEREAS, we, the members of the Knights of Columbus, are profoundly grateful for this recognition of the holiness of our founder and the strength of the Knights of Columbus today is a testament to his timeless vision, his holiness, and his ideals.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, will vigorously continue to support the cause for sainthood of Blessed Michael McGivney, and that we continue to offer prayers of support for this noble and caring priest.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.2

WHEREAS, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost was elected to the papacy on Thursday, May 8, 2025, using the papal name Leo XIV; and

WHEREAS, Pope Leo XIV was born in Chicago, Illinois and later became a friar of the Order of Saint Augustine in 1977 and was ordained a priest in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Pope Leo XIV joined the Augustinian mission in Peru in 1985, as his missionary work included being a defender of human rights and against political violence; and

WHEREAS, On September 26, 2015, Pope Francis appointed then Prior Provincial of the Order of St. Augustine as Bishop of the Diocese of Chiclayo, eventually leading to the appointment of cardinal-bishop on February 6, 2025; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that we, the Knights of Columbus, acknowledge Pope Leo XIV as the new Supreme Pontiff; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, join Catholics worldwide in celebrating the election of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, the successor of St. Peter and spiritual leader of the Catholic Church.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.3

- WHEREAS,*** Archbishop William E. Lori was ordained to the priesthood on May 4, 1977, and his first assignment was as a parish priest at St. Joseph parish in Landover, Maryland; and
- WHEREAS,*** Archbishop Lori was appointed by the Supreme Knight in April 2005 to serve the Order of the Knights of Columbus as Supreme Chaplain; and
- WHEREAS,*** Archbishop Lori was ordained to the episcopate as Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, Maryland; and
- WHEREAS,*** Archbishop Lori provides spiritual guidance and direction to more than two million Knights throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS,*** he has been active in his support of Pro-Life and Catholic doctrine, serving on the Committee on Pro-Life Activities and the Committee on Doctrine of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; and
- WHEREAS,*** he has also collaborated diligently with the Holy Father to improve the integrity of the priesthood and the Catholic Church throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS,*** Archbishop Lori has been an advocate of Catholic education, serving as the chairman of the Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut, and the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, along with its membership continue to dedicate themselves to the principles represented by Archbishop Lori and support him in the promotion of values represented by our Order and our Church and continue to offer our prayers for his good health and well-being.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.4

WHEREAS, the members of the Ohio State Council Knights of Columbus continue to offer our prayers and support for the efforts made by the Bishops of Ohio for their unceasing dedication on behalf of our Order and Church; and

WHEREAS, the Bishops of Ohio have dedicated their lives to our Heavenly Father and our Church and have supported the many efforts brought forth by the members of the Knights of Columbus in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, as faithful members of the Catholic Church, we, as brother knights, express our appreciation for the work of all our Ohio Bishops and for the leadership and spiritual guidance that they provide.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, do hereby pledge our continued support for and cooperation with the Bishops of Ohio in their respective dioceses throughout the fraternal year.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.5

WHEREAS, Father John Paul Walker was born and raised in Illinois. He obtained his B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Illinois and a M.S. in Environmental Engineering and Chemistry from Johns Hopkins University; and

WHEREAS, Father Walker entered the Order of Preachers (the Dominican Friars) in 1995, professed his solemn (perpetual) vows in 2000 and was ordained a Catholic priest in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Father Walker earned his Master of Divinity and Licentiate in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC.; and

WHEREAS, Father Walker served as a Catholic Chaplain and Professor of Theology at Providence College in Providence, RI; as the Director of Pastoral Formation at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC; as Catholic Chaplain to Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD; as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in New Haven, CT.; as Chaplain of Council number 1 and was an invited guest of the Supreme Knight to the Beatification Mass of Blessed Michael McGivney; and

WHEREAS, Father Walker in 2022 become Pastor of St. Gertrude Parish in Madeira and has served as Ohio State Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus since July 2025.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, offer sincere and heartfelt thanks to Father John Paul Walker for his service and dedication to the Catholic church for the past 24 years.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.6

- WHEREAS,** Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly, took office on March 1, 2021, serving as the chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization, with more than two million members; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kelly has had a distinguished career in the Knights of Columbus, the military and public service. For more than 25 years, he has demonstrated a track record of service to Church and country, which serves him well in advancing the Knights' mission of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kelly has served as Deputy Supreme Knight since 2017. Prior to that, he served as Vice President for Public Policy for 11 years, spearheading the Knights' interaction with the White House, Congress, and federal agencies. He has also served as State Deputy in the District of Columbia, and as a longtime executive and fraternal leader of the Knights of Columbus; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kelly served as the first executive director of the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C. and oversaw the renewal of the facility after its purchase by the Knights in 2011. During his tenure, the shrine became a leading pilgrimage site and a source of education and inspiration for Catholics throughout the United States and the world.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Council and its membership send our sincere thank you, congratulations, and warm fraternal greetings to our Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly, for his continuing service to our Order making our Catholic, Family, Fraternal, Service Organization the strong force for good that it is; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio, on May 23, 2026, unanimously adopt this resolution and forward it to the Supreme Council as an expression of our sincere appreciation for his hard work and as an assurance of our continued prayers for the success of the Knights of Columbus under his leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.7

WHEREAS, Supreme Director Scott A. O'Connor was elected to the Supreme Council Board of Directors at the 142nd Supreme Convention. He currently serves with distinction on the following committees at the Supreme Council: Executive Compensation; Aid and Support After Pregnancy (A.S.A.P.); and is Chairman of the Disaster Relief Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Connor is author of a book *One Knight's Journey*, an account of his experiences and insights into the Knights of Columbus, published in 2022 donating royalties from book sales to support seminarians through the fund established in his late wife's name – "The Marybeth O'Connor Holy Angels Fund for Vocations".; and

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Connor is a member of St. Bonaventure Council 12240 in Davie, Florida and Past State Deputy of the Florida Jurisdiction serving during the tough times of the Covid Pandemic of 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Connor professionally is an active consultant in the restoration of commercial buildings; he holds various licenses including a commercial UAV using drones to map and survey buildings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Connor is a Deputy Delegate in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem, Southeastern Lieutenancy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Connor is active in his local parish and serves as a Lector. He has also served as an Extraordinary Minister, Usher, and committee chairman.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio, on May 23, 2026, we do hereby show by enthusiastic acclamation, appreciation for Supreme Director Scott A. O'Connor's attendance at our convention. We, as a fraternal brotherhood, continue to pray for his continued good health and well-being in service to our Order. May God continue to bless him and guide him in his work.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.8

- WHEREAS,*** Michael J. Felerski joined the Knights of Columbus in the fall of 1999 to Father Roettele Council 8115 in Fairfield, Ohio; and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. Felerski has served his council with extraordinary dedication, and accepted numerous positions and offices of importance; and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. Felerski has served in multiple state positions including that of District Deputy, Diocesan District Deputy Coordinator, State social media coordinator, Diocesan Membership Coordinator, and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. Felerski was elected State Warden in May 2018 at the State Convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio and has since served the State Council with exemplary distinction in every state office including that of Advocate, Treasurer and Secretary; and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. Felerski was elected to the highest office of State Deputy in 2025 and instituted his “We Are Called” state program which has successfully directed the over 55,000 members in over 400 councils in support of our Catholic tradition and values; and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. Felerski and wife Heather were married on June 18th, 1988, and have two children, Elizabeth and Tristan; and
- WHEREAS,*** Mr. and Mrs. Michael Felerski are members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Fairfield, Ohio and have served as Eucharistic Ministers, usher, chairman of his Parish’s Respect Life Committee, life chairman of his council coordinating the annual Mother’s Day collection supporting the local prenatal clinic and pregnancy centers, cantor of the church choir, member of the parish yarn workers and the Ladies Auxiliary.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, do hereby congratulate and offer our sincerest thanks to State Deputy Micheal J. Felerski and his team for navigating us successfully through these unprecedented and challenging years, and we offer by enthusiastic acclamation our endorsement of his successful programs and leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.9

- WHEREAS,** Jeffrey T. Kiliany joined the Knights of Columbus on October 01, 1976, at Leetonia Council #1569 and the Patriotic Degree at Father Kermiet Assembly #841 on April 30, 2004; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kiliany has served his council with extraordinary dedication, and accepting numerous positions and offices of importance; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kiliany has served in multiple state positions including that of District Deputy, Diocesan District Deputy Coordinator, State Youth Director, State Church Director, State General Program Director, and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kiliany was elected State Warden at the Airport Marriott Hotel in Columbus, Ohio in 2017 and has since served the State Council with exemplary distinction in every state office including that of Advocate, Treasurer and Secretary; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kiliany was elected to the highest office of State Deputy in 2023 and instituted his “Let Us Be Worthy” state program which has successfully directed our councils and the over 55,000 members and over 400 councils in support of our Catholic tradition and values; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Kiliany and wife Judy were married in 1979 and have three children, Jennifer, Beth Anne, and Patrick, and are proud grandparents of two grandsons; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Kiliany are members of St. Patrick Parish in Leetonia, Ohio and have served as Eucharistic Ministers, Parish Youth Ministry Teachers, Marriage Preparation Sponsor Couple, and on Parish Council over many years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, do hereby congratulate and offer our sincerest thanks to Immediate Past State Deputy Jeffrey T. Kiliany and his team for navigating us successfully to obtain two Circle of Honor awards, and we offer by enthusiastic acclamation our endorsement of his successful programs and leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.10

WHEREAS, Sir Knight Walter Kenneth Winkle, Jr. of Columbus, Michigan has served as the Vice Supreme Master of the Hennepin Province during this past fraternal year, providing leadership and guidance for the Fourth-Degree membership in Ohio and Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Sir Knight Winkle has worked extensively for the good of the Order in his many capacities, showing exemplary dedication to the principles of the Knights of Columbus, to Patriotism, and to the continued success of the Military Chaplain Scholarship Fund; and

WHEREAS, Sir Knight Winkle has been an example of faith and fraternalism for our Order and Church, while promoting Columbianism in both Ohio and Michigan; and

WHEREAS, we, the Ohio State Officers, Past State Deputies, and all members from the great state of Ohio are honored and proud to have Brother and Sir Knight Winkle and his lady, Karen, serve as shining examples of the Fourth Degree in our Hennepin Province and wish them continued success.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, extend Vice Supreme Master Walter Kenneth Winkle, Jr. and Lady Karen our sincere fraternal greetings and best wishes.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.11

- WHEREAS,** the Knights of Columbus is a Brotherhood based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism; and
- WHEREAS,** many Brother Knights in this great State of Ohio are veterans of the Armed Services; and
- WHEREAS,** Brother Knights of this great State of Ohio have served in the Armed Services during World War I, World War II, and in military conflicts in Korea, Vietnam, Kuwait, Afghanistan, and Iraq; and
- WHEREAS,** many of these same Brother Knights have given up their lives for freedom in this great country and around the world; and
- WHEREAS,** there are many veterans of the Armed Services in attendance at this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention; and
- WHEREAS,** Brother Knights currently serve as Chairmen, Representatives or Deputy Representatives for Center for Development and Civic Engagement who sponsor activities to assist our disabled veterans in veteran hospital facilities throughout this great State of Ohio; and
- WHEREAS,** we, as Knights of Columbus and patriotic citizens of this great country, the United States of America, set aside this Memorial Day, May 25, 2026, to honor our fallen service men and women.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Ohio State Officers, delegates, and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio this May 23, 2026, take time to publicly honor our veterans here with us today and to stand for a moment of silence in respect to the men and women who have given their lives for this country in the name of freedom.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

The Ohio State Council Officers

March 21, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.12

WHEREAS, Bishop Louis De Goesbriand was born to a noble family in France and entered Saint-Sulpice Seminary. Upon his ordination crossed the Atlantic to serve in the Ohio Jurisdiction of Cincinnati. His first assignment in 1841 was to St. Louis Parish in Louisville, Ohio which is now a part of the Youngstown Diocese; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Louis De Goesbriand served at the side of fellow countrymen in Ohio who each became the first Ordinaries of New Mexico, Colorado and Cleveland, OH; Archbishop Jean Baptiste Lamy, Bishop Joseph P. Machebeauf and Bishop Amadeus Rappe. Also serving in Ohio with St. John Neumann who later became the Bishop of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Pope Pius IX established the Cleveland Diocese in 1847, Fr. De Goesbriand served Bishop Amadeus Rappe in Cleveland as his Vicar General

WHEREAS, Pope Pius IX established the new Diocese of Burlington, VT in 1853 and named De Goesbriand as its first Ordinary. He was consecrated to the Episcopacy at The Old St Patrick Cathedral in NYC along with Bishops Loughlin and James Bayley for the other two newly created dioceses of Brooklyn, NY and Newark, NJ. Thus, creating a spectacle of American Catholic ascendancy not seen since the 1808 simultaneous creation of four Dioceses for Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Bardstown, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Bishop De Goesbriand was present with Pope Pius IX on April 12, 1855, at the formal reception held at St Agnes' Basilica in Rome. He witnessed the miraculous event in which all present fell into the basement as the floor gave way under the weight, and not one person was hurt or injured. This is preserved as a mural in the basilica with the names on an adjacent plaque of all who were present; and

WHEREAS, On an 1893 trip to Rome and the Holy Land, did obtain from Pope Leo XIII the American set of St. Peter's Chains so in his words, "To make known to the American People, St Peter and his current successor." This set was formally installed in 1894 by 4 Archbishops and 8 Bishops at the cathedral in Burlington, VT where they still remain.

WHEREAS, Like other pioneer prelates and other missionary priests such as Archbishop Seghers of Alaska; St. Junipero Serra of CA; Rev. Pierre De Smet, SJ of the Dakotas; Hanover, PA's Father Demetrius Gallitzin; Bishop Edward D. Fenwick, OP and Archbishop Purcell of Cincinnati. He labored under the lack of any provisions relying on his own inheritance and trips abroad to obtain priests and funding. He died penniless at his beloved orphanage he had founded along with Hospitals, Schools and Churches.

WHEREAS, Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne of Hartford, CT in 2019 opened the cause for canonization for his predecessor while being the Ordinary of Burlington, VT and the 10th successor of Bishop De Goesbriand.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

**We Knights do recognize the heroic efforts of this humble servant of God
and do also pray for his future attainment of the Honors of the Altar.**

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

**That upon passage at this year's Ohio KofC State Convention, this
resolution will be forwarded to the Supreme Convention in August for
recognition and adoption.**

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Canton Council 341

Crossroads Council 13371 in Summitville, OH

Immacolata Council 274 in Youngstown, OH

February 05, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.13

WHEREAS, the growth of our Order and subordinate councils with new members is vital for our continued longevity and increasing our charitable services ; and

WHEREAS, Supreme Council has made online membership available to be more efficient because “It’s quick. It’s easy. It’s immediate.” ([Why Online Membership | Knights of Columbus](#)); and

WHEREAS, “Membership growth is the State Deputy’s highest and most important priority” (State Deputy Handbook, p. 7) with Membership growth quotas for each jurisdiction and local council; and

WHEREAS, “for the vast majority of members – a local council provides the best membership experience” ([Why Online Membership | Knights of Columbus](#)); and

WHEREAS, the direction from Supreme Council when organizing a Council Membership Committee is that “The grand knight appoints a membership director to oversee all membership programs and recruitment activities.” ([Organizing Your Membership Committees | Knights of Columbus](#)); and

WHEREAS, Council Membership Directors do not have access to the Prospect Tab in Officers Online, where the contact information of Online Members is available; and

WHEREAS, Council Membership Directors do not receive the same notifications about new Online Members assigned to their council as the Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries do and must wait for someone to forward their information;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Supreme Council provide Council Membership Directors access to the Prospect Tab in Officers Online; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that if a Council Membership Director role in the Prospect Tab in Officers Online is not possible that Supreme Council develop and provide some other means of providing contact information of Online Members assigned to a council to the Council Membership Directors; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that until Supreme Council provides a more efficient means of getting contact information of Online Members assigned to a Council directly to the Council Membership Director, State Councils will provide to their Council Membership Directors the same notifications of new Online Members assigned to a council as they provide to their Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above actions be taken with the goal of improving efficiency for the Council Membership Director to connect with Online Members regarding their joining the local council.

Respectfully submitted,

St. Michael Council 11445 in Worthington, OH

March 09, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 14

WHEREAS, On January 21, 1926, fifty-three Catholic gentlemen receiving their Third Degree became charter members of Sharonville Council #3382; and

WHEREAS, Sharonville Council #3382 continues to follow the ideals of Father McGivney and the Order with the principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity by supporting its families, its parishes, and its community local and globally; and

WHEREAS, On Saturday, February 21, 2026, Sharonville Council #3382 celebrated its 100th Anniversary Celebration at Raffel's Catering and Banquet Center.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Ohio State Council of Officers and delegates attending the 127th Annual Ohio State Council Knights of Columbus Convention meeting in Columbus, Ohio on May 23, 2026, offer sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Sharonville Council #3382 for their 100 years of service and dedication to its parishes, its community, and our Order.

Respectfully submitted

/s/

Sharonville Council 3382 in Sharonville, Ohio

April 20, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 15

WHEREAS, Alfred Goedde was born in Lima, Ohio on February 1,1926 and joined the Knights of Columbus in 1958 at Council 2661 in the Toledo diocese and is a founding member of 4578 Santa Maria and is a member of 11216 St. Peter Council in Columbus, Oh and

WHEREAS, Alfred has held officers' roles in the Councils and is a Past Grand Knight and

WHEREAS, Alfred served in the US Army from 1944-1952 during World War II, Korea and the Cold War, achieving the rank as 1st Lieutenant, serving over sea in Italy and Germany and

WHEREAS, Alfred met Irene Seech at St. Rose Catholic school and married in June of 1951 and had six children Thomas, Joe, Greg, Mary, Barb, and Lisa. Having eight Grandchildren and five Great Grandchildren and

WHEREAS, Alfred attended the University of Detroit receiving a Bachelor of Science in Commerce Finance and minor in accounting. Retiring from Buckeye Rubber Products after 22 years and

WHEREAS, Alfred was honored by his favorite Hockey team, the Detroit Red Wings during a Hocking game in January of 2026 celebrating Alfred's and the Red Wings' 100th birthday

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Ohio State Officers, delegates and guests attending this 127th Annual Ohio State Convention in Columbus, Ohio on May 23, 2026, do hereby show by enthusiastic acclamation their appreciation for Past Grand Knight 1st Lieutenant Alfred Goedde for his service to his Country and the Order. We, as a fraternal brotherhood, continue to pray for his continued good health and well-being. May God continue to bless him.

Respectfully submitted

/s/

St. Peter Council 11216 in Columbus, Ohio

April 20, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.16

WHEREAS, the State per capita tax assessed to each member has remained unchanged at \$6.50 since 2008, and

WHEREAS, the costs of operating and administering the Ohio State Council have increased significantly over time due to inflation and expanded services; and

WHEREAS, the decision to allow councils to move non-dues paying members to an Affiliate list, where these members are not taxed, has reduced income to the Ohio State Council; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the financial stability of the Ohio State Council is essential to continue providing effective representation, programs, and services to the membership.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

that Archbishop Elder Council recommends the State per capita tax per member be increased from \$6.50 to \$10.00; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

that Archbishop Elder Council recommends that this increase shall take effect for the 2027-2028 fraternal year.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Archbishop Elder Council 1195 in Madeira, OH

January 13, 2026