

2022 Resolutions

118th Annual State Convention Mississippi Jurisdiction



Knights of Columbus

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 118th Annual State Convention of
the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION Number 1

Whereas,

On March 1, 2021 Patrick Kelly began his work as the Orders Fourteenth Supreme Knight to continue the mission of Charity, Unity and Fraternity established 139 years ago by our Founder Blessed Michael J. McGivney, and

Whereas,

Brother Kelly has dedicated his life in service to our Church, our Country and has served our Order since joining in 1983 at Marquette University, and

Whereas,

Brother Kelly has served as a U.S. Navy Captain, a Diplomat, State Deputy of the District of Columbia 2012-2013 and as Deputy Supreme Knight since 2017, and

Whereas,

Brother Kelly is a third generation Knight with family service to our Order dating to 1915, and

Whereas,

Brother Kelly has a degree in Economics and Law from Marquette University and a Masters in Theology from the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at the Catholic University of America and is more than qualified to take the Helm of the Knights of Columbus.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction congratulates Patrick Kelly on his election as Supreme Knight and pledges its support, its loyalty and its prayers.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 2

Whereas,

Supreme Representative Jose Jimenez has honored this State Convention with his presence, and

Whereas,

Brother Jimenez serves as the Vice President of Hispanic and Ethnic Growth and also as Territorial Growth Director for the Southeast, and

Whereas,

Brother Jimenez provides great guidance to our Order, and was extremely informative in addressing us at our convention banquet, and

Whereas,

We, the delegates of the Mississippi State Council, realize that brother Jimenez' assistance before and during the State Convention Call was extremely valuable and well received by all.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi State Council expresses its sincere appreciation to Supreme Representative Jose Jimenez and extends a cordial invitation to come back to our Jurisdiction whenever he may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 3

Whereas,

The 2022 State Convention Meeting, due to the continuation of the COVID-19 Virus, is being held in-person and the delegates are gathered at a single location, and

Whereas,

The members of Council 7120 Southaven and Assembly 2195 Southaven, led by Chairman Ted Lander, have spent the past few years planning to host the delegates of the 2020 and 2021 State Conventions in Tunica, MS, and were not able to due to the virus, and

Whereas,

The State Officers, and membership across the Mississippi Jurisdiction truly appreciate all the time, efforts, and energy expended by Council 7120 and Assembly 2195.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the sincere appreciation of those in attendance be extended to the host council and host assembly for the superior manner in which it discharged their responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION No. 4

Whereas,

Bishop Joseph Kopacz was installed as the 11th Bishop of the Jackson Diocese February 6, 2014 and faithfully serves the Diocese, following the motto “**Let there be Light**”, and

Whereas,

Bishop Louis Kihneman III was installed as the 4th Bishop of the Biloxi Diocese April 28, 2017 and faithfully serves the Biloxi Diocese, following the motto “**The Lord is My Shepherd**”.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Knights of Columbus of the Mississippi Jurisdiction inspired by the service of Bishops His Excellencies Kopacz and Kihneman, pledge our allegiance and service to our current Bishops and our Bishop Emeritus Joseph Latino.

Recommendation: **Adopt**

Action:

Submitted: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 5

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus has a long history of supporting the men and women in the armed forces of the United States, and

Whereas,

Many active members of the Knights of Columbus are or have been members of these armed forces, and

Whereas,

Members of the armed forces place their lives at risk to ensure the safety and freedom of the residents of the United States.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus expresses its sincere appreciation to the dedicated men and women serving and those who served in the armed forces of the United States, and

Be it Further Resolved,

That the members of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus continue to pray for the safety of the men and women serving in said armed forces.

Recommendation: **Adopt**

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 6

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Annual Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution at the 115th State Convention held in Jackson, and

Whereas,

Although authorized by resolution, the Mississippi Knights of Columbus Annual Bowling Tournament has not been well attended in recent years, and

Whereas,

It is the recommendation of the State Officers of the Mississippi Jurisdiction that a resolution to hold the Bowling Tournament is no longer needed, in that a State Tournament has not been supported, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council has not provided any expense or support the said tournament.

Now, Therefore be it Resolved

That any council of the MS Jurisdiction that would like to host a Bowling Tournament is encouraged to do so at their own expense.

Recommendation: **Adopt**

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 7

Whereas,

Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina was elected by the conclave of Cardinals as Supreme Pontiff, the first Pope ever selected from the Americas and

Whereas,

Cardinal Bergoglio assumed leadership of the Holy Catholic Church, March 13, 2013 as Pope Francis, and

Whereas,

On December 13, 2021, Pope Francis celebrated fifty-three years in the Priesthood.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus affirms its loyalty and allegiance to the Vicar of Christ, Pope Francis, and passionately prays for his continued good health and continued guidance to the Holy Catholic Church.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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Resolution Number 8

Whereas,

Article VI, Section 4 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws state that the Per Capita Tax of the Mississippi State Council shall be determined by resolution at each State Council Meeting for the ensuing annual meeting, and

Whereas,

These per Capita Taxes are payable one-half on August 1 each year based upon the membership figures of July 1 and the other one-half payable on February 1 each year based upon the membership figures of January 1 in accord with Section 118 (c) and (d) of the Supreme Council by-laws.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

That pursuant to Article VI, Section 6, of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws, Per Capita Taxes shall be set at \$5.00 per one-half year for Regular Members and \$2.00 per one-half year for Honorary Members, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That the State council will reserve the right to review the financial status of the State Council each and every year to determine if any changes are necessary for the financial stability of the State Council for the upcoming year.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 118th Annual State Convention of
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Resolution Number 9**

Whereas,

Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws state that the expenses of the State Officers, Delegates, District Deputies, and Past State Deputies shall be determined by resolution at each State Council Meeting for the ensuing annual meeting, and

Whereas,

Expenses for the State Membership Director, State Program Director and the four State Program Chairmen and those members deemed appropriate by the State Officers are determined by resolution at each State Council meeting for the ensuing annual meeting.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

That pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws, per diem expenses for the Delegates, State Officers, and District Deputies to the State Council Meeting are hereby set and established to be paid at the rate of \$90.00 per day for two days for those individuals staying in the designated hotel or attending both convention banquets, and they will be paid mileage at the rate of \$0.30 per mile one way, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That Past State Deputies in attendance are to be paid a per diem of \$90.00 per day for two days and they will be paid mileage at the rate of \$0.30 per mile one way, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That, per diem expenses for the State Membership Director, State Program Director, the four (4) Service Program Directors and those members deemed appropriate by the State Officers to the State Council Meeting are hereby set and established to be paid at the rate of \$90.00 per day for two days for those individuals staying in the designated hotel or attending both convention banquets, and they will be paid mileage at the rate of \$0.30 per mile one-way, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That should the hotel cost for the State Council Meeting exceed \$140.00 per night before taxes and fees, the State Council Officers, may approve an additional \$25.00 per diem for two days for all attendees who are entitled to a per diem and who stayed in the approved hotel.

Recommendation: Adopt if Resolution 8 passes

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 10

Whereas,

The Mississippi Legislature created a specialty car tag promoting the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, with proceeds from the sales of such car tags going to the treasury of the State Council, and

Whereas,

The use of the proceeds from the sales of such car tags is decided by resolution at the State Convention.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the proceeds received by the State Council from the sale of the Knights of Columbus specialty car tags during the 2021-2022 fraternal year shall be distributed as follows:

50% to the Bishop Gerow Priest Education Fund to be distributed equally between the Jackson and Biloxi Dioceses at the 2022 Convention.

50% to the Bishop William R Houck Mississippi Retired Religious Fund to be distributed equally between the Jackson and Biloxi Dioceses at the 2022 Convention.

Be It Further Resolved,

That each member of the Knights of Columbus in the Mississippi Jurisdiction is encouraged to support the above listed causes and to promote the Knights of Columbus by purchasing a Knights of Columbus specialty car tag.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 11

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus have a long history of supporting those who serve others in need and the men and women who serve as First Responders and Health Care Workers in this time of the COVID-19 Virus are going beyond the call of duty, and

Whereas,

Many active members of the Knights of Columbus are or have been First Responders and Health Care Workers, and

Whereas,

First Responders and Health Care Workers place their lives at risk to ensure the safety and care of the residents of the United States.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus expresses its sincere appreciation to the dedicated men and women serving and those who served as First Responders and Health Care Workers of the United States, and

Be it Further Resolved,

That the members of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus continue to pray for the safety of the men and women serving as First Responders and Health Care Workers.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

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Resolution Number 12

Whereas,

Article X, Section 1 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws state that notice of a proposed amendment to the State By-Laws shall be given at least 60 days prior to the convention opening, and

Whereas,

This notice shall be by mail to the Grand Knights of each Council in the Mississippi Jurisdiction.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

That pursuant to Article X, Section 1, of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws, notification shall be made either by mail and/or e-mail to the Grand Knights of each Council in the Mississippi Jurisdiction, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That the State council will update the By-Laws, Article X, Section 1 to state the notification will be either by mail or e-mail.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers