

Resolutions for the 2026 North Carolina State Convention
STATE COUNCIL OF NORTH CAROLINA RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 1

WHEREAS, Pope Leo XIV is the Vicar of Christ on earth, and

WHEREAS, He is an inspiration to us as the Leader of the Catholic Church

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina offer him our sincere thanks and prayers for his spiritual leadership.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 2

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend William E. Lori travels throughout the Order encouraging the cause of Columbianism

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we offer our support and prayers for our Supreme Chaplain, who is the spiritual leader for the Knights of Columbus.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 3

WHEREAS, Blessed Michael McGivney was beatified on October 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882, and

WHEREAS, we, his followers, continue to pray for his canonization

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all continue to pray for the canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the North Carolina State Council encourages all Knights to continue their prayer and support for his canonization.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 4

WHEREAS, The North Carolina State Council and other councils throughout this jurisdiction look to the Supreme Officers and Directors for their leadership and guidance, and

WHEREAS, our Supreme Knight, Patrick E. Kelly, continues to provide outstanding leadership to the State of North Carolina and to the Order

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere gratitude to Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly and extend our thanks and appreciation to the Supreme Officers, and Directors for their continued help, guidance, and efforts on behalf of the entire order.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 5

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D. is the Archbishop for the Military Services, USA, and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio provides spiritual leadership to all branches of the Military Services

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Archbishop Broglio for his prayerful contributions to all members of the Military Services.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 6

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Luis Rafael Zarama, Bishop of Raleigh, supports the Knights of Columbus, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Zarama provides his personal and unwavering support of the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Zarama for his prayerful contributions to the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina and to wish him well in his priestly assignment as the leader of the Raleigh Diocese.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 7

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Michael T. Martin, O.F.M. Conv., Bishop of Charlotte, is a 29-year Knight of Columbus, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Martin provides his personal and unwavering support of the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Martin, for his prayerful contributions to the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina and wish him well in his priestly assignment as an administrator of the Charlotte Diocese.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 8

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Peter J. Jugis, Bishop Emeritus of Charlotte, supports the Knights of Columbus, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Jugis provides his personal and unwavering support of the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Jugis provided 20 years of faithful service as Bishop to the Catholics of the Charlotte Diocese prior to his retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our support for Bishop Emeritus Jugis for his many years of faithful service to the Charlotte Diocese.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 9

WHEREAS, Right Reverend Placid Solari, OSB, is the Abbot for Belmont Abbey in Belmont, North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Right Reverend Placid Solari provides spiritual guidance and leadership to the Abbey as well as undying support of the unborn

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina offer Right Reverend Placid Solari our sincere thanks and prayers for his leadership at the Abbey and his support for the unborn.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 10

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Gregory J. Mansour is the Bishop for Maronite Catholics in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Mansour provides spiritual leadership to all Maronite Catholics in North Carolina,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Mansour for his prayerful contributions to the Maronite Church of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 11

WHEREAS, His Grace, Most Reverend Kurt Burnette, is the Bishop for the Byzantine Catholics in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Burnette provides spiritual leadership to all Byzantine Catholics in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina Knights of Columbus express our sincere thanks to Bishop Burnette for his prayerful contributions to the Byzantine Catholics of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 12

WHEREAS, His Grace, Most Reverend Bohdan J. Danylo, is the Bishop for the Ukrainian Catholics in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Danylo provides spiritual leadership to all Ukrainian Catholics in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Danylo for his prayerful contributions to the Ukrainian Catholics of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

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Resolution 13

WHEREAS, His Grace, Bishop Mar Joy Alappatt, is the Bishop for the Syro-Malabar Catholics in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Mar Alappatt provides spiritual leadership to all Syro-Malabar Catholics in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Mar Joy Alappatt for his prayerful contributions to the Syro-Malabar Catholics of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 14

WHEREAS, His Grace, Most Reverend Steven J. Lopes, is the First Bishop of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Lopes provides spiritual leadership to all Ordinariate Catholics in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Bishop Lopes for his prayerful contributions to the Ordinariate Catholics of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 15

WHEREAS, the 144th Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus will conduct business from Tuesday, August 4 through Thursday, August 6, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the State Council of Colorado will host this international convention in Denver, Colorado

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina State Council and Delegates express our sincere thanks to the State Council of Colorado for their hosting of this convention on behalf of the entire order.

Recommendation:

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Resolution 16

WHEREAS, the Reverend William P. Lesak is the North Carolina State Chaplain, and

WHEREAS, Reverend William P. Lesak has provided spiritual direction and outstanding leadership as a priest serving the Archdiocese of Newark for 50 years and the United States Naval Service as a Naval Chaplain for 27 years before retiring from active service with the rank of Captain, and

WHEREAS, Reverend William P. Lesak continues to serve as State Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to Reverend William P. Lesak for his many contributions to the Church, military, and the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 17

WHEREAS, Reverend Chris Koehn is the North Carolina Associate State Chaplain for the Diocese of Raleigh, and

WHEREAS, Reverend Chris Koehn has provided spiritual direction and outstanding leadership as a priest serving the Diocese of Raleigh for 7 years

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina State Council and Delegates express our sincere thanks to Reverend Chris Koehn for his many contributions to the Church and the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina.

Recommendation:

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Resolution 18

WHEREAS, Reverend Marcel C. Amadi is the North Carolina Associate State Chaplain for the Diocese of Charlotte, and

WHEREAS, Reverend Marcel C. Amadi has provided spiritual direction and outstanding leadership as a priest serving the Diocese of Charlotte for 11 years

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina State Council and Delegates express our sincere thanks to Reverend Marcel C. Amadi for his many contributions to the Church and the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 19

WHEREAS, the Catholic Church in North Carolina has a need for more priests, and

WHEREAS, the Seminarians are discerning the call of God to a life of the priesthood

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina pray for the wisdom, courage, and strength they need to continue their studies and deepen their relationship with God.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 20

WHEREAS, Priests, Religious and Deacons are serving as Chaplains, Friars, and Spiritual Advisors to the Councils and Assemblies throughout the State of North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the spiritual guidance and leadership provided by these Chaplains, Friars, and Spiritual Advisors are a key ingredient to the success of the Knights of Columbus in North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of North Carolina express our sincere thanks to the clergy and religious throughout the state, who serve the Knights of Columbus.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 21

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Council has many Past State Deputies, and

WHEREAS, all of North Carolina's Past State Deputies continue to provide support, guidance and friendship

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina State Council offers our sincere thanks and appreciation to all the Past State Deputies of the Knights of Columbus of North Carolina.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 22

WHEREAS, we, the Knights of Columbus, support our military personnel serving in the Armed Forces throughout the world, and

WHEREAS, we also support all of our veterans who have served our country so well in the past, and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus pray for peace in our world and for the souls of our men and women who have lost their lives in defense of our freedom

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus, offer our support for the safe return of our men and women in the Armed Forces serving our country today, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sincere thanks to all our veterans and current military for their sacrifice for our freedom, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our gratitude to all our military personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 23

WHEREAS, North Carolina has exceeded 10 million residents who occupy over 54,000 square miles of land that is prone to floods, severe storms, and other natural disasters, as well as threats of violence and terror, and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is known for its extraordinary response to these emergencies. Every day 9-1-1 dispatchers, police officers, firefighters, emergency personnel and hospital frontline workers are our first line of defense and response, protecting our communities and ensuring North Carolina is the safest place to live, work and visit, and

WHEREAS, the heart of North Carolina's emergency response capability is our force of first responders. No greater courage is demonstrated than that of dedicated and brave first responders facing an emergency, rather than running away from it. First responders put their lives on the line by protecting and administering care to others in need, and

WHEREAS, as a result, many first responders make the ultimate sacrifice every year in dedicated service to their fellow citizens, and

WHEREAS, first responders accept the challenge and responsibility of serving others without a second thought. They unselfishly perform their duties without regard for their own safety and provide a superior level of service, and

WHEREAS, as a direct result of our first responders' extensive training, rapid emergency deployment, and coordinated efforts, lives are saved, and

WHEREAS, every day the citizens of the State of North Carolina rely on the dedicated professionalism of first responders to preserve the peace and secure the safety and well-being of all who live in and visit North Carolina

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina State Council and Delegates express our sincere thanks to these first responders and pray for their safety and success in their daily activities.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 24

WHEREAS, the natural disasters in North Carolina have caused widespread devastation, leaving many communities in need of support and assistance,

WHEREAS, disaster relief efforts in North Carolina have been carried out by brother Knights, volunteers, and individuals who have selflessly dedicated their time, resources, and energy to help those affected by the disasters,

WHEREAS, the work of these brother Knights, volunteers, and individuals has been invaluable in providing aid, comfort, and hope to those affected by the disasters, and has helped to mitigate the impact of the disasters on communities in North Carolina,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this organization hereby honors and recognizes the disaster relief work in North Carolina, and expresses its gratitude and appreciation to all those who have contributed to these efforts, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this organization encourages all its brother Knights and the broader community to continue to support disaster relief efforts in North Carolina, and to assist in any way possible to help those affected by the disasters.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 25

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus is a fraternal family service organization, and

WHEREAS, the Knights owe much of their success to the continued support of their spouses, and

WHEREAS, often their spouses are not recognized for their efforts to support members of the Knights

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus, acknowledge the continued support of our spouses, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Knights of Columbus express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all wives and widows.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 26

WHEREAS, the ongoing conflict in Ukraine is a complex issue with historical, political, and social roots, and

WHEREAS, recognition of Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity by all parties involved is needed for a solution to the conflict, and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus have members of our order who reside in Ukraine, and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus from Poland are physically supporting our Brothers in Ukraine

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Knights of Columbus will continue to pray for a peaceful solution to the conflict and instability in the region, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Knights of Columbus will remain one with the people of Ukraine.

Recommendation:

Action:

Resolution 27

WHEREAS, the ongoing conflict in the Middle East is a complex issue with historical, political, and social roots, and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with all who are persecuted for their faith by governments or religions

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Knights of Columbus will continue to pray for a peaceful solution to the conflict and instability in the region, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Knights of Columbus will remain one with the people of the Middle East.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 28

Resolution of Nomination for Supreme Director

WHEREAS, Brother and Sir Knight **Sergio Miranda** has been a faithful member of the Knights of Columbus for **twenty-four (24) years**, living out the principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity in service to the Church, the Order, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda has faithfully worked through **every level of leadership** within the Knights of Columbus, having served in the offices of **State Warden, State Advocate, State Treasurer, and State Secretary**, and having been **graciously elected to serve as Grand Knight of two separate councils on different occasions**, consistently upholding and advancing the Mission of the Order at each layer of service and responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda has served with distinction as **State Deputy of North Carolina**, leading the jurisdiction to attain the **Pinnacle Award** during his first year of service, and under his continued leadership the jurisdiction has demonstrated sustained membership growth and mission-driven engagement; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda has been **faithfully married to his wife, Amy Miranda, for twenty-six (26) years**, and together they have built a family rooted in faith, integrity, and service, raising **two wonderful daughters**; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda's faith life is deeply rooted and continually formed through prayer and devotion, including **fifteen (15) years of participation in Perpetual Adoration**, as he actively seeks the path of the Lord and strives to lead with humility, discernment, and fidelity to Christ; and

WHEREAS, as **State Deputy**, Brother Miranda has intentionally carried his faith to Brother Knights across the **State of North Carolina**, encouraging prayer, fraternity, and active participation in the sacramental life of the Church, while fostering a culture of faithful leadership rooted in Christ and aligned with the Mission of the Order; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda brings professional experience and disciplined leadership from a distinguished career in **technology**, including **fifteen (15) years with Wells Fargo** and **four (4) years with Siemens Software**, providing him with strategic insight, governance experience, and operational expertise beneficial to service at the Supreme level; and

WHEREAS, Brother Miranda possesses the experience, character, and desire to continue serving the Knights of Columbus at the highest level of leadership,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the **North Carolina Knights of Columbus**, convened at the **North Carolina State Convention on May 15, 2026, in Durham, North Carolina**, does hereby endorse **Brother and Sir Knight Sergio Miranda** for election as **Supreme Director** of the Knights of Columbus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the **North Carolina State Council** shall place his name in nomination at the **144th Supreme Convention**, to be held **August 4–6, 2026, in Denver, Colorado**, and respectfully requests the consideration and support of all jurisdictions of this great Order.

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 29

December 29, 2025

Resolution Endorsing Brother Paul McGrath for State Deputy

WHEREAS, Brother Paul McGrath has faithfully served the Knights of Columbus since January 2012, when he joined Father Charles Mulholland Council 7186 in Apex, North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Brother Paul McGrath has faithfully served the North Carolina State Council in a variety of leadership roles, including four years as State Membership Director, one year as State College Director, two years as State Membership Director (East), one year as the first State Online Membership Director, and one year as State Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Brother Paul McGrath has been inspired and encouraged by his wife of nearly twenty-three years, Geri, to continue his lifelong commitment to serving others; and

WHEREAS, Brother Paul McGrath has demonstrated his dedication to faith, family, and service by serving St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School for six years on the School Advisory Council under Monsignor Steib and then-Principal Bob Cadran and serving as a room parent for his daughters Madeleine and Aubrey for a combined seven years, and serving St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church as a high school faith formation teacher for four years and as a middle school faith formation teacher for four years for his daughters Michelle and Kelly; and

WHEREAS, Brother Paul McGrath seeks to live out his Gospel call to love and serve God and neighbor to the best of his ability by using the gifts he has received from God for the good of the Church and the broader community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of Sacred Heart Council 12537, Southport, North Carolina, do hereby heartily and unanimously endorse Brother and Sir Knight Paul McGrath for election to the office of State Deputy of the North Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Sacred Heart Council 12537 will place his name in nomination at the 2026 North Carolina State Convention to be held in Durham, North Carolina, May 15-17, 2026, and respectfully urges all councils of this great state to support Brother Paul McGrath with their vote at the convention.

Ryan Kiniry
Grand Knight
Council 12537 Sacred Heart

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 30

All Saints Council #9709 Raleigh, NC

December 2, 2025

WHEREAS, Brother Joseph (Joe) M. McCarthy faithfully served in the Knights of Columbus since November 2000 when he joined Valencia Council #80 in Milford, Massachusetts and was elected Grand Knight for Fraternal Years 2004-2005 and 2005-2006; and

WHEREAS, Brother Joe McCarthy served the great state of Massachusetts for 4 years as a District Deputy from 2007 through 2011, and

WHEREAS, Brother Joe McCarthy moved to North Carolina, transferred St. Raphael's Council #9880, Raleigh, serving as a Trustee for the council for two years from 2012 to 2014, and transferred to All Saints Council #9709, Raleigh in 2014 and was subsequently elected Grand Knight for Fraternal Year 2016-2017, and

WHEREAS, Brother Joe McCarthy served the great State of North Carolina as District Deputy 9 for Fraternal Year 2014-2015, Country Store Chairman from 2016 until 2017, and Regional District Deputy 2 from 2018 to 2021, and

WHEREAS, Brother Joe McCarthy has managed his time and efforts, with the support of his loving wife of 27 years, Anne-Marie, raising their four children while being very active in the Knights of Columbus, and

WHEREAS, Brother Joe McCarthy has faithfully and honorably served the North Carolina State Council as State Warden for one year, and State Advocate for two years, and State Treasurer for two years and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the All Saints Council #9709 does hereby enthusiastically endorse Brother and Sir Knight Joseph (Joe) M. McCarthy for the election to the office of State Secretary and will place his name in nomination at the 2026 State Convention May 15 to 17, 2026 in Durham, NC, and request that all Councils in this great state also give Brother and Sir Knight Joe McCarthy their vote of confidence at the convention.

Unanimously adopted this 2nd day of December 2025.

Tommy E. Dalton, Grand Knight

Attested by: Sean Flanagan

I hereby accept this nomination: Joseph M. McCarthy, North Carolina State Treasurer

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 31

Knights of Columbus
St. Joan of Arc Council 15265

December 4, 2025

WHEREAS, Brother Timothy G. (Tim) Kelley has faithfully served the Knights of Columbus since October 2008 when he joined St. Eugene Council 11911 in Asheville, NC, and became the Charter Grand Knight of St. Joan of Arc Council 15265 in April 2011, serving in a variety of roles with that council, and

WHEREAS, Brother Tim Kelley has faithfully served the North Carolina State Council in a variety of roles since 2013, including two years as State Warden and two years as State Advocate, and

WHEREAS, Brother Tim Kelley was inspired and encouraged by his wife of nearly 24 years, Tonya, whose memory he seeks to honor, and

WHEREAS, Brother Tim Kelley seeks to live out his Gospel call to love and serve his God and his neighbor to the best of his ability, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of St. Joan of Arc Council 15265 of Candler hereby heartily endorse Brother and Sir Knight Tim Kelley for election to the office of State Treasurer and will place his name in nomination at the 2026 State Convention in Durham May 15-17, 2026, and request all councils of this great state to also give Brother Tim Kelley their vote at the convention.

Bob Lanza, Grand Knight #15265

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 32

Paul J Trageser Council #10910
Chapel Hill, NC

A RESOLUTION NOMINATING **CHRISTOPHER ALOYSIUS KREMER**** CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA FOR STATE ADVOCATE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

WHEREAS, Brother Christopher Aloysius Kremer has faithfully served the Knights of Columbus for over 20 years, beginning as a college Knight and continuing his commitment to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism; and

WHEREAS, Brother Kremer has held numerous leadership roles including Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, and District Deputy, under whose leadership both his Council, Assembly, and District earned multiple Star Awards; and

WHEREAS, at the State Council level, Brother Kremer has served with distinction as State Warden, Evangelization and Faith Formation (COR) Director, and McGivney Fellow, demonstrating exceptional dedication to faith formation and fraternity across North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Brother Kremer's professional service as a Major in the Colorado Army National Guard, combined with his strong faith and leadership in Catholic Orders, exemplifies his devotion to God, Family, and Country;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Paul J. Trageser Council #10910 proudly endorses Brother Christopher A. Kremer for the office of State Advocate of the North Carolina State Council, Knights of Columbus, and urges all councils to support his election.

Adopted this 19th day of January, 2026.

Signed Michael Orzechowski, Grand Knight
Attest: Newton Grant, Recorder

I hereby accept this nomination: CHRISTOPHER ALOYSIUS KREMER

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 33

Knights of Columbus
Father William O'Byrne Council 3574

December 1, 2025

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie W. Fernandez has been a faithful and loving husband to his wife Christina A. Fernandez for 25 years, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez is a cradle Catholic and graduate of Woodland High School in Woodland, California, where he played intramural sports baseball and basketball, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at Bend, Oregon in December 1995 until retirement in December 2015, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez received his Bachelor of Business Administration Degree from American Intercontinental University in Fall 2018, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez received his Master of Business Administration, specializing in Project Management Degree from American Intercontinental University in Summer 2021, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez was elected as Deputy Grand Knight for Council 3574 from 2018 and elected Grand Knight 2019-2020, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez joined the Infant of Prague Church, at Jacksonville, NC, in October 2009 and is serving as parish Sacristan, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez is serving the Infant of Prague parish as an OCIA sponsor, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez was elected Director of OpLamb for Council 3574, in July 2024 and collected \$2400, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez was elected as Faithful Navigator for Assembly 1541, in July 2024, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez is serving as Delivery Manager with delivery of 75 beds for Sleep in Heavenly Peace, NC-Jacksonville, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez was elected as District Deputy in July 2021 held that position until June 2025, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez had earned the All-Star District Award by achieving 275% of council membership goals at Councils 3574, 13220, 13488, and 7024 in June 2025, and

WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez started volunteering from 2021 umpiring for recreational baseball for local counties, and was honored to be an umpire in Columbia, South Carolina for Little League World Series 2025, and

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WHEREAS, Brother Reggie Fernandez is serving as Setup Coordinator for Onslow Hispanic Latino Association for the Summer Latin Fiesta Event with attendance of 12,000 people, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of Father William O'Byrne Council 3574 of Jacksonville hereby heartily endorse Brother Reggie Fernandez for election to the office of State Warden and will place his name in nomination at the 2026 State Convention in Durham May 15-17, 2026, and request all councils of this great state to also give Brother Reggie Fernandez their vote of confidence at this convention.

James Kulp, Grand Knight #3574

Recommendation:

Action:

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Resolution 34

Knights of Columbus
Pius X Council 3498

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending

Michael Paul Spire (Mike)

for his exemplary life, service, and dedication to his faith, community, and the Knights of Columbus Pius X Council 3498 and Monsignor Francis K. O'Brien Assembly 2254

WHEREAS, Brother Michael P. Spire (Mike) was born on December 10, 1974, at the U.S. Army Hospital at Fort Carson, Colorado, and was baptized on December 22, 1974, at the Army Chapel on Post; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, he received the Sacraments of Penance and First Holy Communion at Blessed Sacrament Church in Bethany, Missouri and in 1990 the Sacrament of Confirmation at Blessed Sacrament Church in Burlington NC; and

WHEREAS, his service to the Church began at age nine when he was trained by Fr. Russ to serve at his Uncle's wedding-- a moment that began a lifetime of parish involvement; and

WHEREAS, he continues to serve his parish faithfully through his work on the Building Committee, the Safety and Security Committee, and through regular Ministry as an usher, Eucharistic minister, when needed, and altar server; and

WHEREAS, on one special occasion, he had the honor of serving at the Altar with his niece, prompting their Priest to introduce them after Mass as "one of the oldest and youngest to serve at the same Mass from the same family"; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 he joined the Knights of Columbus and served in every leadership role within Pius X Council, Warden, Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight and Grand Knight, then 3 years as a Trustee; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 he joined the 4th degree of the Knights of Columbus, The Patriotic Arm of the Order, and currently serves as Faithful Captain for Msgr. Francis K. O'Brien Assembly 2254; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 Mike was awarded the Faith in Action Award for growing the Faith here at Pius X Council with the Faith Programs that were held at Blessed Sacrament Church.

WHEREAS, Mike was part of the former 1st and 2nd Degree teams, and he now has initiated English and Hispanic Exemplification Degree Teams; and

WHEREAS, since 2018 Mike has been part of the 4th Degree AV team setting up the Chamber and preparing the Exemplars ready to perform The Patriotic Arm of the Order; and

WHEREAS, in 2021-2023 Mike served with distinction as District Deputy, earning the All-Star District Award for three consecutive years; and

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WHEREAS, he has filled in or supported the State Warden Position at the NC State Convention for the last 4 years; and

WHEREAS, he is currently serving as Regional District Deputy over Region 3, bringing Faith and Communities together for each Council in his Region; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2025, Council 3498 Pius X unanimously voted to support Michael Spire for the State Office of North Carolina State Warden.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of Pius X Council 3498 of Burlington, hereby heartily endorse Brother Mike Spire for the election to the Office of State Warden and will place his name in nomination at the 2026 State Convention in Durham, and request all councils of this great State to also give Brother Mike Spire their vote of confidence at this Convention.

Adopted this 13 day of January, 2026

by

Richard Landers, Grand Knight of Pius X Council 3498

John Sommers, Financial Secretary of Pius X Council 3498

Recommendation:

Action: