

2019 Resolutions

115th Annual State Convention Mississippi Jurisdiction



Knights of Columbus

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 115th Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION Number 1

Whereas,

The 2019 Convention Committee has been such an excellent host of the 115th Annual convention, and

Whereas,

The 2019 Convention Committee consisted of Councils 848, Jackson- St Peter's, 7854 Clinton, 8285 Jackson -St Therese, 8038 Pearl, 9543 Madison, 10216 Flowood-Brandon, 11934 Gluckstadt and 15131 Jackson- St Richards, and

Whereas,

The officers, members, and their wives have arranged to host such an outstanding convention,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the sincere appreciation of those in attendance be extended to the host councils for the superior manner in which it discharged its responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 2

Whereas,

Supreme Representative Chuck Gallina (Colonel, USMC, Retired) and his wife Colinda have honored this State Convention with their presence, and

Whereas,

Brother Gallina, was appointed by the Supreme Knight to the position of Advisor for Military and Veterans Affairs, and

Whereas,

Brother Gallina is also the Order's National Representative to the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service, National Advisory Committee and a member of the National Advisory Committee Executive Committee, and

Whereas,

We, the delegates of the Mississippi State Council, realize that Brother Gallina's address at the Convention Banquet was extremely informative and well received by all,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi State Council expresses its sincere appreciation to Brother Gallina, and his wife and extends to them a cordial invitation to return to our Jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 3

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, 2018, Pope Francis celebrated fifty 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 as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 4

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order and considered as the strong right arm of the Catholic Church, and

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council provides superb guidance and service to its more than 15,000 Councils and 1.9 million members,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus sincerely appreciates the efforts of **Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, his fellow Supreme Officers, Board of Directors, and Supreme Office Staff**, and expresses its gratitude for their leadership and inspiration in furthering the cause of Columbianism, and

Be it Further Resolved,

That we pledge our loyalty and appreciation to our **Worthy Supreme Knight Carl Anderson** for all he has done in the name of our Order, and pray for his continued progress in leading our Order to greater successes.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION No. 5

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 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 Bishops Emeriti Joseph Latino and Roger Morin.

Recommendation: Adopt as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 6

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: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 115th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 7

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Annual Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution at the 114th State Convention held in Biloxi, and

Whereas,

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction have participated in the tournament in the past, and

Whereas,

It is the express desire of the Mississippi Jurisdiction to hold this activity again during the 2019 - 2020 fraternal year,

Now Therefore be it Resolved

That the Mississippi State Council sponsors, at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament for its membership, said tournament to carry the official sanction of the United States Bowling Congress, and

Be It Further Resolved,

The time, date, and place of the tournament will be set at the discretion of the host council, with all business for the tournament to be resolved at a meeting held during the tournament, with the chairman of the bowling tournament giving a report at the State convention, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council presents, at no expense to itself and as provided by the bowling association, appropriate trophies to the winners of certain events conducted during the tournament.

Recommendation: Adopt as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 115th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 8

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Thomas F. Chady Annual Golf Tournament was authorized by resolution at the 114th State Convention held in Biloxi, and

Whereas,

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction have participated in the tournament in the past, and

Whereas,

It is the express desire of the Mississippi Jurisdiction to hold this activity again during the 2019 – 2020 fraternal year,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Annual Thomas F. Chady Memorial State Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament for its membership. The tournament should be held at an opportune time each year; the place of the tournament will be set at the discretion of the host council, with all business for the tournament to be resolved at a meeting held during the tournament. The chairman of the golf tournament will give a report at the ensuing State Convention, and,

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council present at no expense to itself and as provided by the appropriate golf association, appropriate trophies to the winners of certain events conducted during the tournament. A traveling plaque to recognize the annual first place team and their home council which will then be displayed at the Vicksburg Council after the official presentation at the State Convention, and

Be It Further Resolved,

This State Golf Tournament is not to be confused with nor take the place of the annual golf tournament held in conjunction with State Conventions.

Recommendation: No Action- Sent to the State Officers to review

Action: No Action

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 115th Annual State Convention
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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, 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 \$75.00 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 \$75.00 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 \$75.00 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 as Amended

Action: Adopted April 28, 2019

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 should be 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 2019-2020 fraternal year shall be distributed as follows:

25% to the Archbishop Rodi Disaster Relief Fund

25% to the Mississippi Ultrasound Fund

50% to the Bishop William R Houck Mississippi Retired Religious Fund

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: Adopted April 28, 2019

Submitted by: State Officers

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RESOLUTION Number 11

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Convention is held annually in various regions of the State of Mississippi, and is enjoyed by all in attendance, and

Whereas,

The annual Mississippi State Convention is hosted by a council, or group of councils from the region, without financial assistance from the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, and the expenses required to host the State Convention escalates over time, placing additional financial burden each year on the convention host council(s), and

Whereas,

The current approved registration fees of \$70 was set during the 2008 Mississippi State Convention and has remained as such for the past 10-year period without increase

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the Mississippi State Convention registration fees be increased to a maximum of \$100 per person beginning with the 2020 State Convention, with the fees covering registration and the costs of the Friday and Saturday convention banquets

Be It Further Resolved,

That the \$100 Registration Fee will remain in place until modified or changed by way of an adopted resolution, approved by the Delegates and State Officers, at a future Mississippi State Convention

Recommendation: Adopt

Amended during delegate voting session

Action: Adopted as Amended April 28, 2019

Submitted by: Council 7120 and Convention Committees 2019 and 2020