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April 28 - April 30, 2023

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Resolution No. 1: Pledge Support to Supreme Knight

Whereas, the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus has always been a strong supporter of policies and programs put in place by the Supreme Council Officers and Board of Directors.

Be It Resolved that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023 reaffirm our loyalty to the Worthy Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly, the Supreme Council Officers, and the members of the Board of Directors; and,

Be It Further Resolved that we pledge our total support for the policies and programs which will be developed during Supreme Knight Kelly's administration; and,

Be It Further Resolved that the Worthy State Deputy be requested to convey this message to the Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly, as soon as possible, following our State Convention.

Submitted by: State Executive Board

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 2: Greetings to Newfoundland and Labrador Bishops

Whereas, our annual State Convention is a most auspicious and captured moment in time for us to show and share our unique fraternity, and exemplify commitment to our Church, and its leaders;

Be It Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023 hereby convey our greetings to His Grace Archbishop Peter J. Hundt of St. John's, His Excellency Bishop Robert A. Daniels of Grand Falls, and His Excellency Bishop Bart Van Roijen of Corner Brook.

Be It Further Resolved, that on behalf of all councils in the jurisdiction, we affirm our loyalty and continued commitment to their pastoral leadership.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Resolution No. 3: In Honor of Pope Francis

Whereas, our annual State Convention is a most auspicious and captured moment in time for us to show and share our unique fraternity, and exemplify our commitment to the leader of the Catholic Church;

Be It Resolved that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, offer out best wishes and prayers for many years of good health and inspiring leadership to Pope Francis: and

Be It Further Resolved that we affirm our Loyalty and Allegiance, and pledge our continued prayers, support, and deep affection to Pope Francis for his continued guidance to the Catholic Church.

Submitted By: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 4: Condolences on the Passing of His Holiness Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Whereas, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI was the Head of the Holy Roman Catholic Church from April 19, 2005 until his resignation on February 28, 2013,

Whereas, on December 31, 2022 His Holiness Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI at age 95 passed

Away with these last words Signore ti amo [Lord, I love you]

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, express our sincere condolences on the passing of His Holiness Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

Submitted By: Paul Baldwin

State Treasurer Newfoundland and Labrador State Council

Recommendation: Accept

Resolution No. 5: Condolences on the Passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Whereas, Canada is a constitutional monarchy; the Monarch is the Head of State, whose powers are defined by the Constitution, and

Whereas, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was Queen of Canada from February 6, 1952 to Her passing of September 8,2022, at which time His Majesty King Charles III became King of Canada,

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, express our sincere condolences on the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to his Majesty King Charles and the entire Royal Family.

Submitted By: Paul Baldwin

State Treasurer Newfoundland and Labrador State Council

Recommendation: Accept Action:

Resolution No. 6: Salutations to the Supreme Chaplain

Whereas, our annual State Convention is a most auspicious moment to show and share our unique fraternity, and exemplify our commitment to our spiritual leaders;

Be It Resolved that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, affirm our fidelity, and express our loyal and full support to Archbishop William E. Lori as he continues to fulfill his duties as Supreme Chaplain.

Submitted By: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Resolution No. 7: Greetings to Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Whereas, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops plays such an integral role in guiding the Church in Canada;

Be It Resolved, that we commend and support our Cardinals and Bishops and thank them for the strength and wisdom they have shown in their leadership and governance of the Church; and

Be It Further Resolved, that we render faithful and loyal service and stand in solidarity with our Cardinals and Bishops in the fulfillment of the duties of the Holy Offices to which they have been called

Submitted By: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action

Resolution No. 8: Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Whereas, the global COVID-19 pandemic has fundamentally changed everyday life necessitating the closure of businesses, churches, governments, and social services while dramatically changing the way we interact with family and friends; and

Whereas, these changes caused drastic increases in unemployment and difficulty responding to the needs of the homeless and impoverished; and

Be it resolved, that the Knights of Columbus will exemplify our first principle of charity and continue responding to the global crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Be it Further Resolved, to reflect our ongoing concern with the pandemic, we encourage all subordinate councils to continue to observe the protocols that were in place.

Be it Further Resolved, that we continue to pray for an end to the pandemic, for those who are in distress because of its effects, for those who are suffering from COVID-19, and for the repose of the souls of our brother Knights and all those who have perished; and

Be it Further Resolved, that we offer our sincere appreciation for those who face the threat of infection everyday while they continue to provide essential healthcare, retail, and public safety services.

Submitted by: State Executive Board

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 9: Support for Saint Joseph

Whereas, Saint Joseph, the "just man" whom God chose to protect, defend, and raise the most precious of his gifts to humanity, carried out his mission of raising, guarding, and preparing Christ quietly, courageously, and faithfully;

Whereas, the Supreme Council of the Order has introduced a new ICON and prayer program and designated it as "St. Joseph Pilgrim" and,

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Whereas, the jurisdiction has received three of these ICON's along with prayer cards and prayer booklets for use within the province

Be It Resolved that every Council schedule during the year a Marion Hour of Prayer using the prayer booklets and prayer cards while displaying the new ICON of St. Joseph Pilgrim.

Be It Further Resolved that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council and the Subordinate Councils use the ICON of St. Joseph Pilgrim for prayers to support and protect the Persecuted Christians in our world.

Submitted by: State Council Recommendation: Accept Action:

Resolution No. 10: Commitment to Family Life

Whereas, the fundamental unit of society is the family; and

Whereas, certain philosophies that lessen the values of Christian, Judaic or other traditional world religions, can play havoc with this fundamental and sometimes vulnerable unit of society; and

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus is committed to Family Life, and being the largest Catholic Family Organization in Newfoundland and Labrador;

Be It Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, encourage subordinate councils to participate in the following initiatives for the Columbian Year 2023-2024.

1. Initiate an activity through the general program such as family of the Month/Year to openly and actively engage in bringing 'Family Life' into focus.

2. Endorse and promote 'Family Week' during August and 'National Family Week' in October.Submitted by: Resolutions CommitteeRecommendation: AcceptAction:

Resolution No. 11: Catholic Missions in Canada

Whereas, Catholic Missions in Canada seeks to sustain and extend the Catholic Faith in isolated, poor, and hard-to-reach mission areas in Canada; and

Whereas, these are communities where diocesan resources are insufficient to keep the Church alive; and

Whereas, until last year, the northern dioceses of Canada were given some support financially by the Roman Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith.

Whereas, starting in 2017 these dioceses would be treated like other Canadian Dioceses and no longer receive the support of the Congregation; and

Whereas, the Canadian Association of the Knights of Columbus is encouraging all Knights throughout Canada to support the Catholic Missions in Canada; and

Whereas, Catholic Missions in Canada provides more than \$450,000 in grants annually to Dioceses and Parishes in Newfoundland and Labrador;

Be It Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council, and subordinate Councils, strongly support the Catholic Missions in Canada spiritually and financially and encourage all Brother Knights and their families to provide spiritual and financial support.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 12: RSVP Program (Refund Support Vocations Program)

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus acknowledges the present shortage of candidates to the priesthood and religious life; and

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus as 'the strong right arm of the Church' does support the Church and hierarchy in every possible way;

Be It Resolved, that the State Council of the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador renew the commitment to support and promote vocations to the priesthood and encourage the subordinate councils to take an active role in doing the same through participation in the RSVP program.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee Recommendation: Accept Action:

Resolution No. 13: Development and Peace

Whereas, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace was established in 1967 by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, and is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada; and

Whereas, Development and Peace is widely promoted throughout the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador; and

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus remains committed to the cause of the poor and underprivileged of the world;

Be It Resolved, that all subordinate Councils in the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador, be encouraged to become actively involved at the Parish level, in the promotion and support of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 14: Rose Sunday

Whereas, we hold that human life begins at conception; and

Whereas, we support the belief that all human beings have the inalienable right to life from conception to natural death; and

Whereas, abortion is the greatest deliberate threat to the lives of the unborn children of Canada; and

Whereas, the State Council of the Knights of Columbus in Newfoundland and Labrador, renews and again publicly states its solid opposition to abortion and to the use of public money to pay or subsidize abortion;

Be It Resolved, that impelled by our moral conviction about the sanctity of human life, we Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador, solemnly affirm that the right to life is a

fundamental human right, which must have the protection of the law. We call upon persons of goodwill to join in the affirmation; also, to renew and continue our solid and unwavering commitment, both individually and collectively to finding and encouraging practical, positive, moral alternatives to the scourge of abortion-alternatives which will respect the dignity of human life and hold high the humanity of both the mother and her baby; and

Be It Resolved, that the State Council, and subordinate Councils, strongly support the Culture for Life association morally, spiritually, financially, and generally by carrying out a program to be called 'Rose Sunday' in the 2023-2024 Columbian Year, and that all Knights of Columbus subordinate Councils in this jurisdiction, become members, and encourage all their respective members and families to also become members, of the Right to Life Association; and

Be It Finally Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, designate Mother's Day as the day to hold 'Rose Sunday', and that 'Rose Sunday' be held on Mother's Day, the Second Sunday of May, throughout the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador each year.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 15: Life

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus is at the forefront of the battle to promote Life and to restore full legal protection for all human life from conception to natural death; and

Whereas, prayer and public witness are critical and powerful in combating the Culture of Death, and in working to restore the Life;

Be It Resolved, that the Knights of Columbus, in solidarity with the Holy Father and our Bishops, hereby designate the Feast of the Annunciation, 25 March, as the Knights of Columbus Day of the Unborn Child; and

Be It Resolved, that the Knights of Columbus renew its solid and unwavering commitment against Euthanasia and assisted suicide, and to promote natural death; and

Be It Finally Resolved, that we urge all subordinate Councils and members to participate in Masses, prayers, and other Pro-life Activities.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Resolution No. 16: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Whereas, we hold that every person should be fed and clothed; and

Whereas, we support the belief that all persons have that right; and

Whereas, an organization that supplies those needs should have financial support;

Be It Resolved, that impelled by our moral obligation, we are bound to feed and clothe others according to our corporal works of mercy, we the knights of Columbus, call upon all right-minded people of good will, to join with us in these good works; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the State Council urge all Subordinate Councils to support their Societies of St. Vincent de Paul in our jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador; and

Be It Further Resolved, that we support such a cause in remembrance of former State Advocate Brother Francis Fleming, who served in that capacity; and

Be It Finally Resolved, that the State Council of the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador, on behalf of all Subordinate Councils, make an annual contribution of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) to each of the St. Vincent de Paul Societies in our jurisdiction of

Newfoundland and Labrador.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 17: Keep Christ in Christmas Program

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus in the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador sponsor the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' Program throughout the province; and

Whereas, the program is a significant message to all that Christ needs to remain as an integral part of Christmas; and

Whereas, the program is presently held on various dates throughout Newfoundland and Labrador; and

Whereas, the First Sunday of Advent is a significant date to prepare for Christmas;

Be It Resolved, that the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' program be held throughout the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador starting on the First Sunday of Advent.

Submitted By: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 18: Catholic Religious Education

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador, as the 'strong right arm of the Church' is strongly committed to the religious upbringing of our children; and

Whereas, preparation for the Sacraments is no longer available through our schools, but is now the responsibility of parents and Parishes; and

Whereas, there are many young people enrolled in the province's school system that are not exposed to catholic religious education;

Be It Resolved, that the State Council encourage subordinate Councils to financially support and distribute religious articles, pamphlets, and posters to catholic children in their communities, to mark special occasions such as First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the cost of such distribution be absorbed by each Subordinate Council as a commitment to our families; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, and all Subordinate Councils, support the only existing Catholic Educational Institutions in this province, which are Immaculate Heart of Mary, in Corner Brook, and St. Bonaventure's College in St. John's.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 19: Support of Sick Children's Hostel Fund

Whereas, the Sick Children's Hostel Fund was established in 1984 to contribute to the cost of accommodation for any brother or his wife/guardian who stayed overnight to attend to their child while in hospital; and

Whereas, the need for this type of assistance can be a source of stress for families/guardians;

Be It Resolved, that a member wishing to avail of this fund, must be in good standing with his council, and his council must be in good standing with the State Council; and

Be It Further Resolved, the amount of funding not exceed \$500.00 annually per child; based on accommodations and travel; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Subordinate Councils shall support this fund with an annual donation of an amount determined by the State Board not to exceed \$450.00.

Submitted by: State Treasurer

Recommendation: Accept Action:

Resolution No. 20: Devotion to Blessed Virgin Mary

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus are committed to the devotion of the Virgin Mary;

Be It Resolved, that the Knights of Columbus in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by promoting a weekly public Rosary at the convenience of individual Councils.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 21: Pornography

Whereas, pornography is a contributing factor to the decay of the moral fabric of society; and

Whereas, the distribution and sale of pornography in print, video, audio and through the Internet is growing at an accelerated rate; and

Whereas, pornography is becoming increasingly evident in regular television programming; and

Whereas, pornography is harmful to moral judgment, especially to that of our youth;

Be It Resolved, that the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council of the Knights of Columbus, at the State Convention 2023, continue to promote purity and decency in our world by taking the following positive actions against pornography:

1. Continue to promote morally and financially, groups who take a stand against pornography, provided that all such groups have been approved by the State executive.

2. Request each council to carry out a project in the council's local community, to show the council's stand against pornography, and further request that the council demonstrate in a tangible way, its support of such local groups that stand against pornography.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 22: State Scholarships

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador are committed to education in this province; and

Whereas, every year more and more interest is being expressed in the State Scholarship program;

Be It Resolved, that the State Council direct the following initiatives to be undertaken:

Up to Five (5) scholarships of \$ 1,000.00 (each) are provided by the State Council to members, children/grandchildren of members in good standing, children/grandchildren of deceased members who were in good standing when deceased.

1. Applicants must have graduated with honours from NL High School in June 2023

2. All winners must be entering the first year of a post-secondary educational institution in September 2023.

3. Application forms and information for State Scholarships are made available on the State Council website at <u>www.kofcnl.org</u>

4. The names of scholarship winners will be published on the State Council website at <u>www.kofcnl.org</u>

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 23: K of C Jubilee Scholarships

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador are committed to education of all our youth; and

Whereas, there are many students in Newfoundland and Labrador who need of financial support for their education and

Whereas, the people of Newfoundland and Labrador have always supported Knights of Columbus projects at the local and provincial level; and

Whereas, the K of C Jubilee Scholarship is now a recognized scholarship in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador;

Be It Resolved, that the State Council offer four (4) scholarships, in total, to all students graduating with honors from a NL High School in June 2023 and will be attending a post secondary institution in September 2023.

Be It Further Resolved, that the value of the scholarships be \$ 500.00 each, and all information including applications be made available on the State Council website at <u>www.kofcnl.org</u>; and

www.kofcnl.org; and

Be It Finally Resolved, that the winners of the State Scholarships, with a value of

\$ 1,000.00, be ineligible for these scholarships.Submitted by: Resolutions CommitteeRecommendation: AcceptAction:

Resolution No. 24: Dorothy M. and William Channing Scholarship.

Whereas William Channing's Last Will and Testament provided funds to create a 'Scholarship' with the requested name "the Dorothy M. Channing and William Channing Knights of Columbus Scholarship".

Whereas, the Will defined the "Beneficiary "of the 'Scholarship' to mean a named person residing in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador who is a child or grandchild of a Knights of Columbus member residing in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and is deemed a worthy recipient as determined by The Newfoundland and Labrador State Council Scholarship Committee.

Whereas, two Trustee's, members of the Knights of Columbus Order in Newfoundland and Labrador, and with the approval of the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council Board shall be appointed to oversee the 'Trust Property'.

Be it Resolved, interest earned be awarded to the recipient(s) a Scholarship for his or her postsecondary education at a post-institution with amounts more than \$1000.00 being retained and reinvested for the next calendar year and,

Be It Resolved, that the Knights of Columbus Newfoundland and Labrador State Council will award in each calendar year and henceforth each year the scholarship(s) to be named the Dorothy M. Channing and William Channing Knights of Columbus Scholarship.

Submitted By: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 25: Keep Christ in Christmas/Christmas Cards

Whereas, there is a great deal of concern that Christmas has become too commercialized; and

Whereas, we feel it is important that the focus of Christmas be the celebration of the birth of the Christ Child;

Be It Further Resolved, that the State Council all Subordinate Councils of Newfoundland and Labrador become active by sending and promoting the use of Religious Christmas cards to spread the message of the true meaning of Christmas.

Submitted by: State Advocate Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 26: Member Medical Travel Fund

Whereas, the State Council of the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador recognizes that many members, their spouses, and the wives of our deceased members have to travel outside their communities and towns for medical treatment;

Be It Further Resolved, that the Member Medical Travel Fund be made available to all members, spouses, wives of deceased members, and dependent children, throughout Newfoundland and Labrador who have to travel more than 100 km return trip for medical treatment, and that they be entitled to a maximum allowable claim of .06 [cents] per kilometer up to a maximum of one Hundred dollars [\$100.00] per family per year on the Island portion of Newfoundland and Two Hundred dollars [200.00] in Labrador;

Be It Resolved, that the current operating period of the Member Medical Travel Fund is aligned with our Fiscal Year, March 1 to February 28, and with a 30-day grace period for submitted claims; and

Be It Further Resolved that a member wishing to avail of this fund, must be in good standing with his council, and his council must be in good standing with State Council; and

Be it further Resolved, that the Member Medical Travel Fund be funded from the Sick Children's Hostel Fund; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Member Medical Travel Fund be continued again for the 2023-2024 Columbian Year.

Submitted by: State Treasurer

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 27: Liability Insurance

Whereas, councils of the Knights of Columbus require comprehensive liability insurance; and

Whereas, the Supreme Council does not underwrite this insurance; and

Whereas, the State Council purchases liability insurance for its Subordinate Councils to make it more affordable, but comprehensive; and

Be It Resolved, that the State Council of the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador require councils with home corporations to purchase a separate liability insurance policy to cover the day-to-day business operations; and be it

Be It Further Resolved, that the State Council of the Knights of Columbus of Newfoundland and Labrador will again purchase a blanket policy this year at the most economical price, and all Subordinate Councils will be advised of the cost of such policy; and

Be It Further Resolved, that a payment policy be put in place that fairly reflects the membership of each council throughout the Jurisdiction as indicated by the Supreme Membership listing as of 1 July 2023; and

Be It Finally Resolved, that the Grand Knights and the councils they represent, will diligently strive to ensure that their portion of the liability insurance will be paid promptly by 15 September 2023.

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee

Recommendation: Accept

Action:

Resolution No. 28: Disposition of Proceeds of Annual Fall and Spring Lottery

Whereas, the Annual State Fall and Spring Lottery has provided an important source of funds for both State and subordinate council activity, and

Be it Resolved that the formula now be changed whereby the proceeds will be split based on 50/50 split of profit basis between the State Council and the Subordinate Council after all administrative costs are paid.

Submitted by: State Council

Recommendation: Accept

Action

Resolution No. 29: Participation in State Lotteries

WHEREAS, the State Executive Board annually donates to various charities and awards (Special Olympics, State Scholarships, State Essay Contest, State Free Throw, etc.) on behalf of the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador, and

WHEREAS, the State Executive Board's main source of income is the State Lotteries,

BE IT RESOLVED, that all Subordinate Councils in the jurisdiction WILL participate in the State Lotteries,

BE IT FURTHER RESLOVED, that if any Subordinate Council(s) fails to participate in the State Lotteries, the State Executive Board may impose administrative action upon that/those council(s) as deemed appropriate by the State Executive Board.

Submitted by: State Executive Board

Recommendation: Accept

Action

Resolution No. 30: Christopher Fund Resolution

WHEREAS, the Supreme Council has established a Matching Fund Program whereby contributions from the Newfoundland State Council will be matched by the Supreme Council on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to a maximum of \$5.00 per member annually, said funds to be contributed to Knights of Columbus Charities Canada, Inc. And the earnings thereon to be paid annually for charitable purposes as established in this resolution; and

WHEREAS it is deemed beneficial to charitable programs of the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council to avail itself of such a matching fund program and thereby enter a cooperative arrangement with the Supreme Council whereby the charities of the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council will receive greater benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the April 28 TH, 2023, meeting of the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council hereby adopts this resolution as enter the Matching Fund Program proposed by resolution No. 134 adopted at the 1992 Supreme Council Meeting.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we hereby designate the following to be the recipient of the earnings on our portion of the Christopher Fund: (a)" **Newfoundland and Labrador Knights of Columbus Charity Foundation''** Charitable Registration # BN 854906591 RR0001 it being of the earnings on our portion of the Christopher Fund: 100%, it being understood that the earnings will be disbursed by cheque payable to this recipient but forwarded after April 1 of each year to the State Deputy of Newfoundland and Labrador for appropriate presentation, it being further understood that the recipients may be changed from time to time by a State Council resolution; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we hereby establish a special committee of all current State Officers, to administer the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council's participation in the Christopher Fund., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said committee to be known as the Christopher Fund Committee and the State Deputy will appoint not mor than (3) three members of said Committee, to preform all acts that are necessary in administering the Newfoundland and Labrador State Council's participation in the Christopher Fund.

Submitted by: State Executive Board

Recommendation: Accept