

<u>A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL</u> <u>IN SUPPORT OF POPE FRANCIS</u>

- WHEREAS: We honor his Holiness, Pope Francis, the 266th Pontiff of the Catholic Church, and
- **WHEREAS:** We offer prayers, support, loyalty, and sincere appreciation to His Holiness, Pope Francis, for his spiritual guidance and personal example in motivating Roman Catholics and other people of God, to be people of deep and abiding faith, and in encouraging them to live by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and in exhorting all couples to maintain a strong loving family presence in the world; and
- **WHEREAS:** We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for his new leadership of the Church and extend to him our appreciation for his continued support of the Knights of Columbus; and
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That we reaffirm our oath of loyalty and allegiance to the Vicar of Christ and to Holy Mother Church, combining our unified prayers for the freedom, progress and strength of Christ's Church, and for His Holiness Pope Francis, the supreme religious authority of our Church; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the foregoing resolution was considered and unanimously approved by the officers and delegates of the Florida State Council attending its 119th State Convention in Orlando, Florida, on Sunday, May 28, 2023.

Attested to:

Robert W. Rasch State Advocate Michael P. Gizewski State Secretary