

**SUBMITTING RESOLUTIONS TO BE READ
AT THE STATE CONVENTION IN MAY 2020**

While our State Deputy and the Convention Committee are preparing for the Pennsylvania State Council Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh in May, we are reminded that it is also time to begin preparing your council resolutions for your State Officers and Resolutions Committee to consider for adoption at the annual meeting.

The resolution process is intended to enhance the fraternal character of the Order, to improve its governance and administration, and to serve its evangelical mission. *Article V Section 5 of the State Bylaws* addresses the submission of resolutions by subordinate councils. *The Officers Desk Reference*, accessible from the Supreme website, provides general guidance from the Office of the Supreme Advocate for local council resolutions under the topics: *'The Purpose of the Resolutions Process'* and *'The Format of the Resolutions'*.

The Grand Knight of each subordinate council submitting a resolution for action at the State Convention shall ensure that the resolution was passed at a regular business meeting of the council and that the type written resolution is submitted in proper format, in six copies, each dated and signed by the Grand Knight and Recorder with the council seal affixed, and is received by the State Secretary no later than March 1st. The State Secretary will forward all properly formatted resolutions to the State Advocate who will distribute to all subordinate councils no later than March 31st. All resolutions, recommendations or amendments to the Constitution or By-Laws will be referred to State Resolutions Committee who will provide recommendations and report at the State Convention.

Generally, resolutions that: 1) concern monetary expenditures by the Supreme Council, such as grants to organizations; 2) deal exclusively with matters of local significance; (3) endorse or criticize other organizations; or 4) have previously been rejected at the Supreme Convention; are discouraged.

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