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My Brother Knights,

I am seeking support from you and your councils for election as your State Deputy for the next Fraternal Year. I plan to serve as the conduit in providing effective coordination and communication between our Utah Knights and the Supreme Council. With your help, I will serve as the key Utah Knight facilitator to move past the COVID era.

My experience as a Utah Knight for 26 years in various capacities at the council, assembly and state levels has well prepared me for State Deputy. At Council 12181, I served as Advocate, Treasurer, Charter Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Trustee and Financial Secretary for 16 years. In Assembly 2577, I served as Charter Faithful Pursuer for 16 years, Faithful Navigator, and Faithful Comptroller for seven years. At State, I served as District Deputy for three years, State Advocate and most recently your State Secretary. In all of these positions, I have worked with many of you and have shared invaluable experience and insight for this important role.

Since my election to the State Council in 2018, I have fulfilled my commitment of assisting councils in the performance of many administrative duties that included tedious form preparation and solving issues with the non-intuitive member's on-line system. This past year, I supported your Coats for Kids Projects and provided assistance to the pilot Affiliate Membership Program. In supporting council leaders, I addressed questions, concerns, and shared ideas. During the past two COVID years, I have realized important perspective on past procedures and gained valuable insights on new paths forward.

With your endorsement for State Deputy, I plan to focus on the following objectives:

- Providing leadership that focuses on centralized planning and decentralized execution.
- Developing a State long-range plan to enable councils to access calendar events well in advance.
- Increasing District Deputy involvement in the oversight of their councils.
- Evaluating and reducing state budget line items to maximize your council dollars.
- Developing an incentive program that promotes new member acquisition to our organization.
- Promoting Faith and Family Programs to bring folks back to the Church and the Knights.
- Exploring innovative ways to restoring suspended or affiliate members to active status.
- Effectively communicating information from the State to Districts to Councils.
- Being a mentor and coach to local councils and the respective officer teams.

In closing, I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve on the State Council for the last four years and look forward to continuing to serve our Knights as the next State Deputy. Your support is vital to allow my continuing service in this significant position for the Utah Knights of Columbus. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Yours Fraternally/Vivat Jesus,

William I. Kelly
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