

## **Knights of Columbus**

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Worthy Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, and Council Delegates,

I hope this letter finds you in good health!

The purpose of this letter is to seek your vote and support for State Office. Specifically, I am announcing my intent to run for the office of Utah State Secretary for the 2023-2024 fraternal year with the full support and blessing of our State Deputy. As the current State Treasurer my responsibilities are to maintain the financial books and finances of the State Council and monitor the financial reports of our subordinate councils. I provide support to our State Deputy and assist the State Secretary as needed. In addition to my duties of office, I serve as the State Membership Director promoting new and innovative programs to recruit new members. I created the QR code we are currently using statewide; the Bishop Solis Posters in both English and Spanish; and other avenues of recruitment. I remain visible by visiting councils, attending their activities and promoting their programs. As your State Secretary I will continue to support council activities and programs throughout the state.

As State Advocate I maintained and over saw the By-Laws of the State. In addition the State Advocate serves as retention chairman, overseeing and promoting programs to keep our membership engaged. As a Past Grand Knight (2016-2017), our council attained the Star Council Award and finished as the top recruiting council that year. I helped develop new programs; "Pie-N-Beer Day" and "We love Fish Tacos for Coats for Kids". I helped improve existing programs which included the "Blue Mass" and "Veterans Day Breakfast". Serving as the District Master of the Fourth Degree for Utah, I increased membership and established 4 new Patriotic programs utilizing my marketing background. In 2018-2019, Utah was the only District in the John H. Reddin Province to attain membership intake goals, establish new District programs, submit patriot awards, and earn star assembly awards. At the State Convention that year we held a ceremony to retire the old regalia. The Utah District during my term sat alone at the top of the province as number one!

As State Advocate, I took the lead on our Coats for Kids program, a challenge during the Pandemic. By creating and adopting ways to distribute and reach out to the community, the program flourished. Not only did we reach CCS, Northern, Central, and Southern Utah, but we were able to distribute in the rural areas of the state. It is always a pleasure for me to meet so many of you in my travels and I look forward to building new relationships and forming lasting friendships. I look forward to serving my brother Knights in Utah for many years to come.

My worthy brothers all, I seek and solicit your vote of confidence for the office of Utah State Secretary for 2023-2024 at our State Convention to be held in May. I look forward to seeing you there and thank you for allowing me to serve the Utah State Council.

Peace be with you –John 20:19

God bless you, and God Bless America! Vivat Christo Rey!

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