

**114<sup>th</sup> State Convention**

**Boise, Idaho**

**April 17<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Report of the State Advocate

Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State Chaplain, Supreme Representative, Visiting Dignitaries, Immediate Past State Deputy, Fellow State Officers, District Deputies, Delegates and Brothers All:

The State Advocate is responsible for overseeing the rules of the Order and of the State Council, and procedural issues that come before the State Council and subordinate councils of the State. He also serves as Chairman of the Pennies from Heaven and Resolutions Committees as mandated by the By-Laws and Procedures and Policies of the State.

Since July 1, 2020, the State Pennies from Heaven fund received five (5) requests for assistance. All five (5) requests were approved for disbursement for a total of \$2,500. Details regarding these activities are attached as a separate document.

The resolutions committee recommends ten (10) resolutions to be considered and approved by the convention delegates: seven (7) congratulatory resolutions, one (1) By-Law revision concerning reimbursement for the incoming Treasurers laptop, one (1) resolution submitted to improve the Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign, and one (1) resolution submitted nominating Kerry Hennesy to the Supreme Board of Directors.

All Councils are required to complete Youth Protection. As of the writing of this report 50% of the Councils are Compliant. There is no excuse for non-compliance when it comes to Youth Protection. The Knights of Columbus is a family fraternal organization, concerned for the widow, orphan and the unborn. Protecting our youth should be of the utmost importance. Councils that are non-compliant should refrain from youth activities. The goal for every council should be 100% compliance.

This concludes my report and I move that my report be accepted as submitted.

Jeffrey Finken

State Advocate and State Pennies from Heaven Chairman

Attachment: State Pennies from Heaven activities 2019-2020