

2023 State Convention Resolutions

Resolutions #1–8

Congratulatory

SUBMITTED BY:

Ontario State Board

1. With Humble and Sincere Devotion to the Leader of our Church:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario Knights and their families pledge uncompromising support to our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and assure him of our eternal love and prayers;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that we thank our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for his humility, understanding and promotion of love and charity to those who are outcast, lonely and in need.

2. In Recognition of the Spiritual Leadership and Dedication of our Supreme Chaplain:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario Knights and their families will offer prayers, support and deepest appreciation to our Supreme Chaplain, Most Reverend William E. Lori, for his years of service and his unconditional commitment to God, the Church and to the Order;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that the Ontario Knights look forward too many more years of his spiritual guidance and pastoral service.

3. In Recognition of Thomas Cardinal Collins 50 years of service to the Church and Community

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins has submitted his resignation as the Archbishop of Toronto, which was accepted by Pope Francis on February 12, 2023;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins was ordained as a priest on May 5, 1973, installed as Bishop of St. Paul on June 30, 1997, installed as Archbishop of Edmonton on June 7, 1999;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins was installed as the Archbishop of Toronto on January 30, 2007;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins was elevated to the College of Cardinals on February 18, 2012;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins has provided exceptional leadership to the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto, and has been a strong voice on local, national, and international matters facing the Catholic community;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins has provided leadership in supporting the plight of persecuted Christians by establishing the Office for Refugees in the archdiocese;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins has defended the sanctity of life from conception to a natural death;

and

Whereas: Cardinal Collins is a strong supporter of the Knights of Columbus, and has attended both our Ontario and Supreme Conventions;

and

Whereas: Thomas Cardinal Collins will celebrate fifty years of ordination on May 5 of this year;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Knights of Columbus, assembled at the 123rd Ontario State Convention, express our deep appreciation for the leadership of His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, and wish him well as he moves into retirement;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Cardinal Collins as a sign of our respect and gratitude for all that he has done for the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

4. Recognition of newly appointed Archbishop Frank Leo

Whereas: Archbishop Frank Leo was named as the Archbishop of Toronto on February 12, 2023, and installed as Archbishop on March 25, 2023;

and

Whereas: the Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our clergy,

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Knights of Columbus assembled at the 123rd Ontario State Convention pledge their support and loyalty to Archbishop Leo as he begins his service in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

5. In Support of our Bishops, Priests and Clergy who Serve us in all Jurisdictions:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario Knights and their families offer our prayers and support to all Past State Chaplains, and to our current State Chaplain His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Dabrowski C.S.M.A., as well as all Priests and Council Chaplains for their spiritual leadership, devoted work and their dedication to the growth of the Church and Order;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that we thank all our Bishops, Priests and Clergy, and we look forward to more years of their spiritual guidance and pastoral service.

6. With Humble and Respectful Gratitude to our Supreme Knight, Supreme Officers and Board of Directors:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario Knights and their families offer our prayers and support and honour Brother Knight Patrick E. Kelly for his devoted, honourable and outstanding leadership as Supreme Knight;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that we thank our Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly, the Supreme officers, the Board of Directors and the staff of the Supreme Council for their excellent service and their exemplary leadership during the past fraternal year.

7. In Support for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the members of the Ontario Knights and their families pray for and promote the cause for the canonization of the founder of our Order, Blessed Michael J. McGivney, and continue to seek his intercessions.

8. Support for Armed Forces, Veterans, First Responder and Health Care Workers:

Therefore, be it resolved: that the members of the Ontario Knights and their families honour the members of our Canadian Armed Forces, Veterans, First Responders and Health Care Workers, for their heroic service dedicated to our communities and country, and we pray for their safe return to their family.

Adopt

Reject

Resolution #9

**Profound Appreciation for Service
State Deputy – Marcel Lemmen**

Submitted by: Notre Dame Council 8549 Oshawa

Whereas: Brother Marcel Lemmen, a member of Immaculate Heart Council #14421 in Stoney Creek and outgoing State Deputy, exemplified a life dedicated, with extraordinary devotion, to the support and defence of the Faith and to the stating and re-stating of the moral principles upon which all freedom rests;

and

Whereas: the course of his long progression through the Order has taken Brother Marcel from his birthplace in the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Mississauga and eventually Stoney Creek and all across the province of Ontario;

and

Whereas: from the time he joined the Knights of Columbus in 1997, Brother Marcel has manifested and maintained such notably high standards in the service of the church, in the practice of his profession as an engineer and in the manifold activities on behalf of the public welfare upon which the distinction of a distinguished citizen truly rests;

and

Whereas: throughout those crowded and fruitful years' innumerable demands upon his time and energy, he has devoted both, in generous measure to the advancement of the Knights of Columbus in, the jurisdiction of Ontario, by the inspiring force of his commitment and the power of his example.

Therefore, be it resolved that: we the members of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, assembled in the Annual State Convention tender to bestow to Brother Marcel Lemmen, this expression of profound appreciation for his invaluable service to the Church,

Therefore, be it further resolved: that an engrossed and laminated copy of this resolution be presented to Brother Marcel on behalf of the Ontario Knights of Columbus.

Adopt

Reject

Resolution #10

Support for the Compassionate Community Care Charity

Submitted by:

Ontario State Council

Whereas: in the past, Knights of Columbus Ontario Annual Conventions have passed resolutions opposing euthanasia and assisted suicide on several occasions. Euthanasia, known as Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD), is quickly becoming normalized in society. Sadly, some Catholics and Knights of Columbus members have died by euthanasia, often based on depression, loneliness, hopelessness and the feelings that life has lost meaning, purpose or value;

and

Whereas: to combat euthanasia and to recognize the reality of loneliness and isolation among our own brothers who are living with sickness, disability or health limitations, the Ontario State Council created the Senior Program to encourage councils to visit our brothers who are sick or have become less mobile due to age or disability;

and

Whereas: the, Compassionate Community Care charity provides a Visitor Training program, an Advocacy Training program and it offers a toll free help-line for people concerned with end-of-life medical questions. When visiting elderly brothers or parish members, who the visitor does not know personally, it is necessary to receive training in order to safeguard both the visitor and the person being visited. Compassionate Community Care provides a training program at no cost, and they regularly offer it through online training sessions;

and

Whereas: the Ontario State Council urges councils to participate in the Seniors Program by actively visiting their sick or elderly brothers. We recognize that loneliness and isolation are leading reasons that people are seeking a death by euthanasia. We are committed to building a culture that cares, not kills;

Therefore, be it resolved: that we, the members of the Knights of Columbus, assembled in the Annual State Convention will urge council members to contact the Compassionate Community Care charity and sign up for their Visitor Training Program and possibly their Advocacy Program;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that while no one is required to participate in the Senior's Program, it is recognized that the normalization of euthanasia has spread throughout Ontario and one of the best ways to protect our own is by visiting, being with and caring for

our brothers and fellow parishioners in need;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that members and councils make charitable donations to the Compassionate Community charity to enable them to continue its life-saving work.

Adopt **Reject**



Resolution #11 **Nomination for Horace Joseph Gaul**
into the Canadian Hockey Hall of Fame
and the Ottawa Sports Hall of Fame

Submitted by: Renfrew Council # 1916

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul was a member of the city of Ottawa Emmett hockey team for 3 years which, coincidentally, won the city of Ottawa Senior League championship for those same three years;

and

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul was a member of the Ottawa Silver Seven for 2 seasons 1904 – 1905 and 1910 – 1911. His team won the Stanley Cups both years;

and

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul was the leading scorer in the International Professional Hockey League in 1906 – 1907 when Gaul played for the Pittsburgh Professionals Hockey Club in Pennsylvania;

and

Whereas: during the 1909 – 1910 season, he played for the Haileybury Miners. That season, he scored a team-leading 20 goals in 12 games placing him seventh overall in the National Hockey Association (NHA);

and

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul was a member of the Ottawa Capitals' Lacrosse Team which won the Minto Cup in 1906;

and

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul was a veteran who served with distinction during the South African War (1899 – 1902) and again during the Great War (1914 - 1918) where he suffered a serious and debilitating injury which ended both his military and sports careers;

and

Whereas: Horace J. Gaul joined Council #485 in Ottawa of the Knights of Columbus on April 23, 1918 and served as a secretary for the Knights of Columbus Canadian Catholic Army Huts program overseas.

Therefore, be it resolved: The Ontario State Council Convention delegates affirm its commitment to have Brother Horace J. Gaul inducted into the Canadian Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto. An application to that effect will be sent to Chair of the Board of Directors for the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto for their consideration no later than October 2023.

Therefore, be it further resolved: The Ontario State Council will make a similar effort to have Brother Horace J. Gaul inducted into the Ottawa Sport Hall of Fame. An application to that effect will be sent to City of Ottawa administration for their consideration no later than October 2023.

Therefore, be it further resolved: That the Ontario State Council provide an update on these nominations to the voting delegates at the 2024 Annual State Convention.

Adopt

Reject



Resolution #12 **Gambling - Concern of Sport Betting and Sport Betting Advertising**

Submitted by: St. Andrew's Council # 10416

History: Over the last few years with the pandemic being prevalent, casinos have seen their revenues drop. They have come up with a plan to boost profits by providing on-line gambling. They use celebrities like Wayne Gretzky and Connor McDavid to make on-line sport betting attractive. They have also bought up commercial time at a rate that is sending subliminal messages to encourage betting.

Whereas: gambling can become addictive;

and

Whereas: there is an onslaught of ads on television using celebrities to make gambling look attractive;

and

Whereas: the profits go directly to casinos unlike OLG where profits go to the province;

and

Whereas: gambling odds are not great, 96% of people lose, 2% break even, 1% win a small amount and 1% win more;

and

Whereas: gambling can lead to bankruptcy, depression and even suicide;

and

Whereas: ads for cigarettes have been removed from television and other media;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the K of C Ontario State Board approach the Provincial and Federal Governments to regulate gambling ads and their content or remove them entirely;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that the Ontario State Board approach the CRTC to regulate gambling ads and their content;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that the Ontario State Board publish in their newsletter the dangers associated with gambling.

- Adopt** **Reject**



Resolution #13 **The Transfer-In of a member into any Council shall be a full credit towards receiving the Council Membership Quota**

Submitted by: Blessed Frederic Ozanam Council 17065

Whereas: all Councils are required to obtain an annual quota to increase membership annually;

and

Whereas: all Councils are required to conduct a minimum of two membership drives each year to sustain that membership growth;

and

Whereas: as a Council increases in number through growth the membership quota is increased making it more difficult to maintain its quota;

and

Whereas: when Councils are first created many of its members are existing Knights who transfer-in from the neighboring Councils and the new Council gets full credit for all its charter members new and Transfer-in members;

and

Whereas: councils are under pressure to maintain their growth and are encouraged to innovate their processes to draw men into the Order;

and

Whereas: a great many Councils over the years have been deprived of the Star Council Award for not including the Transfer-In members even though their Council roster shows an increase of membership which equals or exceeds the quota;

and

Whereas: Councils who innovate their membership processes and create an environment to harbor and promote comradery, by their actions these Councils are prone to encourage Knights from other Councils to transfer-in to their Council;

however, these very Councils are penalized by having their quotas increased instead of being rewarded.

Therefore, let it be resolved that: all Councils ought to be encouraged and rewarded when they increase their membership;

Therefore, be it further resolved that: all Councils who have created an endearing and positive environment which has caused members of other Councils to transfer to their Council, as well as other reasons, should be allowed to use the Transfer-In member to satisfy its membership quota;

Therefore, be it further resolved that: such Transfer-In of a member shall be a full 1 to 1 credit towards the Councils membership quota;

Therefore, be it further resolved that: such 1 to 1 credit should be calculated towards Star Council qualification;

Therefore, be it further resolved that: such incentive should be Order wide

Therefore, be it further resolved that: such policy should be made retroactive to the 2022 – 2023 fraternal year;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that if this resolution be adopted the proposed changes will be put into place as soon as possible.

Adopt **Reject**

Resolution #14 **Promotion of May as the “Respect for Life” month and the use of the pro-life Flag visibly to identify that month**

Submitted by: Fr. Ernie Deslippe Council # 1467

Whereas: the United States has a “Respect for Life” month in October;

and

Whereas: Canada does not have a pro-life month;

and

Whereas: our national “Right to Life March” occurs in the month of May which is also dedicated to the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, Mary;

and

Whereas: flags have been demonstrated to be an effective tool in promoting various causes;

Whereas: a pro-life flag which is available from prolifeflag.com is promoted in the United States and around the world;

and

Whereas: the culture of life and pro-life concerns are major part of the programs of the Knights of Columbus;

and

Whereas: we have many resolutions presented each year at our annual convention concerning the Right to Life, our fight against abortion and the ending of life due to Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiDS)

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario State Council and its members, during the month of May, pray to our Mother Mary asking her to intercede on behalf of the unborn, preventing their termination as a result of an abortion;

Therefore, be I further resolved: that the Ontario State Council, promote the month of May as a month for all its member councils and squire circles, asking them to look for places to fly the pro-life flag as a symbol to all who are pro-life as a rallying cry promoting actions to end

the horror of abortion;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that the Ontario State Council, through contact with various organizations, not limited to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (C.C.C.B.) and the Life Canada organization, promote the month of May as “Respect of Life Month”.

Adopt **Reject**



Resolution #15 **To Oppose the Use of Abortion to Those that are Handicapped and or if a Child is to be found Handicapped**

Submitted by: Beaches Council # 7008

Whereas: to oppose the use or excuse of power to perform an abortion based on the facts of a disability or handicap, as it goes against the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom to live and to be free based on all rights including handicap and disabilities;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario Knights of Columbus State Council continues to financially support, and encourage councils in the jurisdiction to financially support, the purchase of ultrasound machines for doctors that are pro-life.

- Adopt** **Reject**



Resolution #16 **Support for Food Banks**

Submitted by: Beaches Council # 7008

Whereas: donations to local food banks have decreased due to councils' inability to raise funds;

and

Whereas: homeless and needy people are disadvantaged by the lack of food supplies at local food banks;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Knights of Columbus councils continue to show more financial support for food drives to ensure that food banks across Ontario can continue to offer healthy meals for the homeless and needy.

- Adopt** **Reject**



Resolution #17 **Establish a Policy to Combat
Trafficking of Human Beings**

Submitted by: Round Lake Council # 12218

Whereas: the Order takes measures to promote the protection of the unborn;

and

Whereas: the Order takes measures to support and protect the needy;

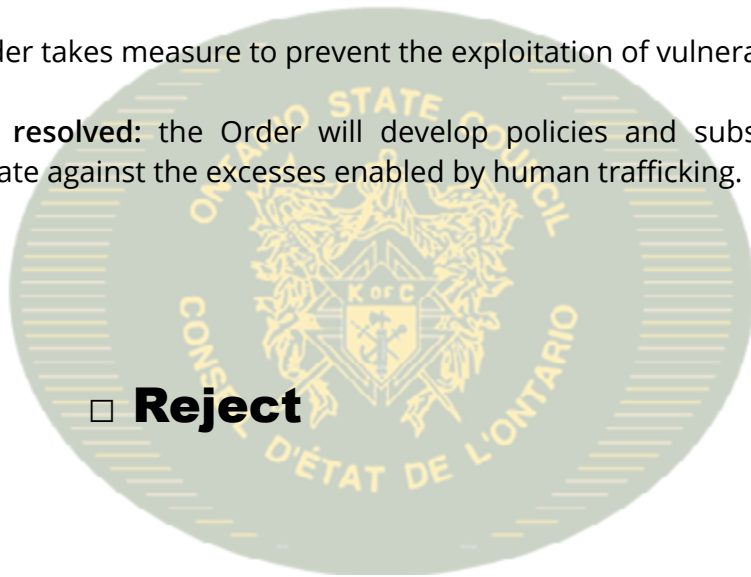
and

Whereas: the Order takes measure to prevent the exploitation of vulnerable populations;

Therefore, be it resolved: the Order will develop policies and subsequent necessary programs to militate against the excesses enabled by human trafficking.

Adopt

Reject



Resolution #18

**Establish Measures to Eliminate
Grooming Of Vulnerable Populations in
Provincial School Curriculum**

Submitted by: Round Lake Council # 12218

Whereas: in keeping with the teachings of Jesus Christ who cursed those who corrupted children (Matthew 18:6);

and

Whereas: the Order takes measures to promote the protection of vulnerable populations;

and

Whereas: the State Deputy has given instructions to councils to take measures to protect vulnerable populations;

and

Whereas: the provincial grade school curriculum enables grooming that contravenes the teachings of Christ;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Ontario State Board take initiatives to remove grooming from the provincial grade school education program.

Adopt **Reject**

Resolution #19 **Support Parental Rights on Sexual Education Curriculum in French and English Catholic Schools in Ontario**

Submitted by: Toronto Council # 1388

Whereas: the Catechism of the Catholic Church (sections 2221-2229) teaches that parents have the primary duty to educate their children, that they have the right to choose an education in accord with their convictions, and that public authorities have a duty to protect this right;

and

Whereas: the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario in conjunction with Catholic educators and trustees released in 2012 the “Respecting Differences” resource;

and

Whereas: in February 2015, the Archbishop of Ottawa, voicing the concern of many Catholics, stated that the new Ontario sexual education curriculum as then proposed threatened the “fundamental right of parents to educate their children in the moral dimension of sexual behaviour”;

and

Whereas: in April 2016, the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario released guidelines for sexual education in Catholic schools, affirming the rights of parents and the importance of fidelity to Church teaching;

and

Whereas: in July 2018, the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario reaffirmed the role of parents as the primary educators of their children, and prayed that elected officials would listen intently to all voices in developing a new curriculum;

and

Whereas: the, Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization, which upholds the teachings of the Catholic Church and the rights of Catholic parents;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Members of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, assembled at the Annual State Convention, support the position asserted by the Assembly of Catholic

Bishops of Ontario;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that the Members of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, in Annual State Convention assembled assert the right of parents to have comprehensive access to the content of the curriculum, to receive notice when their children are enrolled in classes with sexual education components, to receive notice of the specific lesson plans involving sexual education components in a timely fashion, or on request, and to be able to withdraw their children from classes or school activities on such topics if called by their conscience to do so;

Therefore, be it further resolved: that resources for parents be made available through the Ontario Knights of Columbus no later than June 30, 2023.

Adopt

Reject



Resolution #20

**Support from the Ontario State Council
and Supreme Council against Euthanasia**

Submitted by: Penetanguishene Council #1627

Whereas: since the Medically Assistance in Dying (MAiD)s bill has been passed in Canada, 1000's of people have received assistance in dying and in 2021 10,064 MAiD cases accounted for 3.3% of all deaths in Canada;

and

Whereas: the government of Canada is introducing a bill to that will allow youth and mentally challenged the opportunity to choose euthanasia;

and

Whereas: the government has put this conversation on hold;

and

Whereas: the, Knights of Columbus believe that all life is sacred and precious from Conception until natural death;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Knights of Columbus, being a Catholic fraternal Organization stand united and lobby against the passing of this bill.

Adopt **Reject**

Resolution #21 Condemnation of Freemasonry

Submitted by: St. Patrick Basilica, Council # 485
 St. Clement's Council # 17785

Freemasonry is a superstition, a misconception not only gross and universal, but so profoundly mischievous as to misdirect an immense part of the energies of mankind and to misdirect them to such a degree that unless we liberate ourselves from its influence, Western civilization itself will be threatened.

Regrettably many Freemasons continue to be pawns and scapegoats for their deceitful leaders. For this reason, Freemasonry must be understood for what it really is – not based on an elaborate theorem – but upon the simple exposition of the following facts:

Whereas: Popes have issued more condemnations and warnings about the plotting of the Freemasons against the Church than any other single subject in Church history. These condemnations are also so severe and so sweeping in their tenor as to be quite unique in the history of Church legislation. The most prominent include the following:

- 1738: Clement XII, In eminenti apostolatus.]
- 1751: Benedict XIV, Providas Romanorum.
- 1766: Clement XIII, Christianae Republica Salus
- 1821: Pius VII, Ecclesiam a Jesu Christo.
- 1825: Leo XII, Quo graviora.
- 1829: Pius VIII, Traditi humilitati.
- 1830: Pius VIII, Litteris altero.
- 1832: Gregory XVI, Mirari vos.
- 1846: Pius IX, Qui pluribus.
- 1849: Pius IX, Quibus quantisque malis.
- 1864: Pius IX, Quanta cura.
- 1865: Pius IX, Multiplices inter.
- 1869: Pius IX, Apostolicae Sedis moderationi.
- 1873: Pius IX, Etsi multa.
- 1882: Leo XIII, Etsi Nos.
- 1884: Leo XIII, Humanum genus.
- 1887: Leo XIII, Officio sanctissimo.
- 1890: Leo XIII, Dall'alto dell'Apostolico Seggio.
- 1892: Leo XIII, Custodi di quella fede.
- 1892: Leo XIII, Letter to Italy.
- 1892: Leo XIII, Inimica vis.
- 1894: Leo XIII, Praeclara gratulationis publicae.

- 1902: Leo XIII, Annum ingressi.
- 1907: Pius X, Letter to France
- 1917: Benedict XV, Code of Canon Law

and

Whereas: Pope Benedict XVI, on November 26, 1983, when he was Prefect, stated: *“Therefore the Church’s negative judgement in regard to Masonic association remains unchanged since their principles have always been considered irreconcilable with the doctrine of the Church and therefore membership in them remains forbidden. The faithful who enrolls in Masonic associations are in a state of grave sin and may not receive Holy Communion.”*

and

Whereas: regarding democracy in Western civilization: Freemasons have a history of supporting or carrying out violent political acts with the aim of establishing a one-world government. These violent acts include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1789, The First French Revolution.
- 1820, The publication of the anti-Catholic Permanent Instruction of the Alta Vendita.
- 1825, The First Revolution in Russia
- 1830, The Second French Revolution
- 1848, The European Revolution
- November 15, 1848, Assassination of the Pope’s Minister of Justice Count Pellegrino Rossi.
- 1864, World Revolution through the First Internationale.
- 1871, The Third French Revolution (Paris Commune).
- 1872 The Second Revolution in Russia.
- 1875, Assassination of President Garcia Moreno of Ecuador.
- 1908, Assassination of Portugal King Dom Carlos and his son Dom Felipe.
- 1910, Revolution in Portugal
- 1909 The Freemason-lead Barcelona riots.
- 1913-1915, Mexican Civil War.
- 1914, Assassination of Austria’s Archduke Franz Ferdinand causing the Great War (1914-1918). The assassin, Gavrilo Princip Philip, was a member of the Masonic Black Hand society.
- 1915, The establishment of the Masonic inspired Ku Klux Klan whose founding leader was an ex-Methodist preacher and Freemason was William Joseph Simmons.
- November 4, 1925, Zaniboni plot to assassinate the Italian Premier Minister was financed by Freemasons.
- 1913-1915, Mexican Civil War between Carranza and the Freemasons against Catholic President Victoriano Huerta.
- 1926-1929 Cristero Civil War in Mexico. Freemasons supported the persecution of the Hierarchy by the socialist Mexican government.

and

Whereas: regarding education in Ontario schools, Freemasonry opposes instruction in the French language and opposes separate schools in favour of public education which has shifted from Western traditions to indoctrination.

"We know that many periodicals published, if not with the authority of Masonic jurisdictions, then at least with their support, have carried on a bitter campaign against the parochial school. The evidence abounds. I do not believe that the average member of the Masonic order subscribes to this vicious propaganda against the God-fearing Catholic fellow-citizen. None the less, the propaganda goes on." Supreme Knight Flaherty Columbia Magazine, January 1923.

and

Whereas: regarding politics, November 1916, the Masonic Journal, called Sentinel, cited the *"... aggressiveness of the Knights of Columbus in placing their members and other Catholics in public office. [As such], the Masons pledge themselves to take action and stand [wherever] possible to discontinue the possibility of Catholic people becoming a power."*

and

Whereas: one of the tools that Pope Leo XIII used against Freemasonry was prayer. In 1886, he instituted a prayer to the Archangel St. Michael, which was to be recited at the end of every Low Mass. The St. Michael prayer came about after an incident where the Pope collapsed to the floor with no sign of a pulse for several moments. Upon regaining consciousness, he shared the vision he experienced relative to the future: *"He saw the ages to come, the seductive powers and ravings of the devils against the church in every land. But Saint Michael appeared in the moment of greatest distress and cast Satan and his cohorts back into the abyss of hell."*

and

Whereas: it is not the intention of this resolution to denigrate the many good and decent members in the lower masonic degrees who are unaware of Freemasonry's true function, there is, nonetheless sufficient evidence and testimony as to Freemasonry incompatibility with Catholicism and Western civilization.

Therefore, be it resolved: that we, the Members of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, in State Council Convention assembled, reaffirm that one cannot be a member of the Catholic Faith and a member of the Knights of Columbus and instruct all members of the Catholic Faith to refrain from participation or membership in organizations with teachings, oaths, or mythical knowledge which are contrary to the Bible and to the public expression of our Faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ, which must be above all reproach. The Freemasonry societies include:

• York Rite	• Order of Mark Master Masons
• The Shrine	• Tall Cedars of Lebanon
• Holy Royal Arch	• The Grotto
• Cryptic Masonry	• Order of the Amaranth
• Knights Templar	• Order of the Eastern Star
• Red Cross Constantine	• Co-Freemasonry
• Scottish Rite	• DeMolay
• Knight Kadosh	• A.J.E.F.
• Societas Rosicruciana	• Job's Daughters
• United Hearts	• International Order of the Rainbow for Girls
• Grand College of Rites	• Oddfellows
• Swedish Rite	• Knights of Pythias
• Order of Saint Thomas of Acon	• Grand Orient of Old France
• Royal order of Scotland	• B'nai Brith
• Order of Knight Masons	• Loyal Orange Order
• Research LodgeCorks	• Royal Order of Jesters
• Ancient Saint John's	• Order of the Royal and Select Masters
• Women and Freemasonry	

Therefore, be it further resolved, that we, the Members of the Ontario Knights of Columbus, in State Council Convention assembled, the Knights of Columbus gathered here promote the prayer to the Archangel St. Michael.

Adopt **Reject**

ⁱ Flaherty, James A. "The New Year Call to Duty." Columbia Magazine. New Haven Connecticut. Volume 11 No. 6, January 1923, p. 2

ⁱⁱ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council 1388 in Toronto, Ontario. Dated December 8, 1916, p. 43.

ⁱⁱⁱ Marshall, Taylor R. Infiltration. Crisis Publications. Manchester New Hampshire, 2019, p. 36.