



Resolution No. 2021-2

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RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION AND HONOR OF POPE FRANCIS

WHEREAS: Pope Francis was born on December 17th, 1936 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, he was ordained for the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) on December 13th, 1969 during his theological studies at the Theological Faculty of San Miguel; and

WHEREAS: Pope Francis served as a novice master in San Miguel, where he also taught theology, and later was the Jesuit Provincial for Argentina (1973-1979) and Rector of the Philosophical and Theological Faculty of San Miguel (1980-1986). After completing his doctoral dissertation in Germany, he served as a confessor and spiritual director in Córdoba; and

WHEREAS: On May 20th, 1992 he was appointed titular Bishop of Auca and Auxiliary of Buenos Aires, receiving episcopal consecration on June 27th. On June 3rd, 1997 he was made Coadjutor Archbishop of Buenos Aires and succeeded Cardinal Antonio Quarracino on February 28th, 1998. From November, 2005 until November 2011 he served as President of the Bishops' Conference of Argentina; and

WHEREAS: On February 21st, 2001 he was created and proclaimed Cardinal by St. John Paul II in the consistory, with the Title of S. Roberto Bellarmino (St. Robert Bellarmine); and

WHEREAS: On March 13th, 2013 Jorge Mario Bergoglio, SJ, was elected Supreme Pontiff on the second day of the Conclave; and

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has worked tirelessly for the poor, leading by example choosing to live meagerly, leaving the Vatican to meet with the poor and homeless; and

WHEREAS: Pope Francis has praised the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus and encouraged the organization to defend the sanctity of marriage, the dignity of life, the beauty and truth of human sexuality, and the rights of believers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus of Kentucky are grateful to our Lord for bringing Pope Francis to lead Catholics around the world; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Knights of Columbus reaffirm our pledge to support and promote the teachings and ideals of the Catholic Church and fully support Pope Francis.



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