

1998
RESOLUTION NO. 12
ROSE DRIVE RESOLUTION
(AS AMENDED)

WHEREAS, The Holy Father is unwavering in his opposition to abortion and the National Council of Catholic Bishops actively campaigns to end legalized abortion in the United States and promotes assistance to women in crisis pregnancies;and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Council vigorously supports the NCCB, both spiritually and monetarily, through the Order's pro-life education and information campaign and Friend of the Court briefs, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Council has been a long time supporter of Birthright International, the National Life Center, The Nurturing Network and Priests for Life; and

WHEREAS, councils of the Iowa State Council hold "Rose Drives" at Mass for the benefit of Birthright or other crisis pregnancy centers offering assistance and alternatives to abortion to women in crisis pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, "Rose Drive" speakers educate parishioners and give them an opportunity to support *The Gospel of Life* through their monetary donations; become Birthright volunteers; and, most importantly, instruct young people where to turn should they or a friend suspect a crisis pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, a "Rose Drive" gives the Knights an opportunity to display their pro-life stance in a productive manner which reflects highly on the Order and creates a positive impression on men considering joining our ranks.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supreme Council encourage all jurisdictions to conduct "Rose Drives" which requires little effort and are highly reflective of the Order as we continue to lead the fight against abortion as we live *The Gospel of Life*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that paper roses be ordered and stocked by the Supreme Council enabling jurisdictions to easily access paper roses for their councils.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon passage of this resolution by the delegates to the Iowa State Convention of 1998, that the same be presented to the Supreme Council for consideration by the Delegates to the 1998 Supreme Convention.

Submitted by: Council 5390, Marion