## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Convention 2014 Resolution 26. Our Marriage Prayer

WHEREAS, the USCCB celebration of a National Marriage Week in the U.S. began in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Church celebrates a Marriage Day each year on the second Sunday of February and has been since 2002; and

**WHEREAS,** Pope Francis Encyclical Letter *Lumen Fidei* noted that "the first setting in which faith enlightens the human city is the family", and

**WHEREAS,** the Knights of Columbus believe the foundation of the family is the strong marriage bond between the father, mother and God; and

**WHEREAS,** a strong marriage bond will produce a strong family capable of enduring the many challenges of society; and

**WHEREAS,** the "Marriage Prayer" is a gift to the Knights of Wisconsin from the 2012-2013 International Family of the Year; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that in keeping with Pope Francis vision that a stable union of man and woman in marriage is born of their love, as a sign and presence of God's own love and the importance of including God in marriage the Wisconsin State Council encourages every subordinate council to promote the following daily "Marriage Prayer" to all of their members and the members of the Parishes that they serve

"Lord, help us to remember when we first met and the strong love that grew between us.

To work that love into practical things

So that nothing can divide us.

We ask for words both kind and loving and hearts always ready to ask for forgiveness as well as to forgive.

Dear Lord, we place our marriage into Your Hands.

Amen," ; and

**NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOVED**, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Supreme encouraging them to share it with our Brother Knights throughout our Order and the Parishes they serve.

**Submitted: State Officers** 

Resolution Committee Recommendation Adoption