### NOTICE OF CONCLAVE



### GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Office of the Grand Recorder 5909 West Loop South, Suite 495 Bellaire, Texas 77401

January 15, 2022

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.

### Greetings:

You are hereby notified to attend a Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to be held in the Grand Wayne Convention Center, 120 West Jefferson Boulevard in Fort Wayne, Indiana commencing on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022, at 1:00 P.M.

### **CONCLAVES**

SECTION 4. The Conclaves of the Grand Encampment are: (b) Special; which may be called by the Grand Master at his discretion and on the written request of at least Nine Grand Commanderies, the Grand Master shall call such Conclave. No business shall be transacted at such Conclave save that specified by the Grand Master in his summons or set out in the request.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 2. Its members are and shall be:

- a) All Past Grand Commanders of Grand Commanderies;
- b) The Grand Commander, the Deputy Grand Commander, the Grand Generalissimo, and the Grand Captain General of each of the Grand Commanderies; The Commander, Generalissimo, and Captain General of each of the Subordinate Commanderies;
- c) The Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment;

All Knights Templar from other sovereign Grand Jurisdictions who, at any Triennial Conclave, have been elected honorary members. Such election, however, shall not confer the right to vote.

### **QUORUM**

SECTION 5. Nine members entitled to vote in the Grand Encampment, including an Officer authorized to convene the same, shall constitute a quorum, provided that three or more Grand Commanderies are represented.

### CONDUCT OF CONCLAVES

SECTION 6. All questions shall be determined by a majority vote unless otherwise provided. The presiding Officer shall have no vote save in case of a tie.

SECTION 7. Any member may appeal from a decision of the presiding Officer.

SECTION 8. At all Conclaves each voting member shall be entitled to one vote.

# REGISTRATION AND PROXIES CREDENTIALS

SECTION 9. The members named in paragraphs (b) and (c) of Section 2 may be represented by proxies belonging to the same bodies. A proxy does not by virtue of such appointment become a member of the Grand Encampment. He shall before acting, produce acceptable evidence of his written appointment. Each member present in person or by proxy shall have only one vote.

NOTE: It is necessary that credentials and proxies of those specified in paragraphs (b) and (c) above be executed and filed at the time of registration with the Committee on Credentials. This Committee will be prepared to receive credential and proxy forms starting Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., in the assigned area at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, Indiana, concluding Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 12:00 noon. (Blank credential and proxy forms have been distributed by the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment to the Grand Recorders of the Grand Commanderies and the Recorders of the Subordinate Commanderies for this purpose.)

### MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

No mileage and per diem will be paid for attendance at this Special Conclave.

### ITEM ONE: OHIO MOTION

All costs associated with the Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment are to be paid by the Grand Commanderies requesting the Special Conclave.

Michael B. Johnson, GCT Grand Master

### CALL FOR SPECIAL CONCLAVE OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

A Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America is hereby called to be convened no later than Sept. 1, 2022, or as reasonably soon after at least nine Grand Commanderies have assented to this Call, at a location convenient for the majority of the membership, for the purposes of:

- 1. Considering all Edicts and Decisions issued by Sir Knight Michael B. Johnson, Grand Master, in the 69th Triennium for immediate adoption or repeal.
- 2. Considering mootness of Koon Decision No. 2, 24 May 2010, in light of the passage of Resolution 2021-23 on 17 Aug 2021 and, in the alternative, affirming or repealing Koon Decision No. 2.
- 3. Considering adoption of Section \_\_\_\_ to the Constitution, Statutes, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States providing for the removal of any elected officer of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.
  - 4. Considering removal of the Grand Master from office.
- 5. Considering breach of duty of care and breach of the fiduciary duties of honesty and plain dealing that govern appointed committee members.
  - 6. Holding a special election for the Officers of the Grand Encampment.
- 7. Opening a special meeting of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation for the purposes of a special election for the Foundation's Board of Trustees.

### SECTION\_\_\_\_. Removal of an Elected Officer of the Grand Encampment

An elected officer of the Grand Encampment may be removed from Office by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a Conclave of the Grand Encampment. This section is enforceable upon adoption.

### A Notice of Conclave – Item 7 Knights Templar Eye Foundation Inc.



## To the Members of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Corporation

**GREETINGS:** You are hereby notified in this Notice that a Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar is being held in the Grand Wayne Convention Center, 120 West Jefferson Boulevard in Fort Wayne, Indiana commencing on the 12th day of March 2022, at 1:00 P.M. As noted in the CALL for Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Inc. is noted as item 7.

7 - Opening a special meeting of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for the purposes of a special election for the Foundation's Board of Trustees.

## (NOTE- Underscoring is for emphasis)

### **ARTICLE III**

### MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION

Section 1. The membership of the corporation shall consist of (a) those persons who from time to time compose the Board of Trustees of the corporation and (b) those persons who are members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America who from time to time officially register and attend the Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. Membership in this corporation of those persons described in (a) above shall cease at the expiration of their term as officers or trustees and upon the election of their successors, except that such persons may continue their membership by officially registering and attending each successive Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights Templar as provided in (b) above. Those persons whose membership depends upon registration and attendance at the Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights Templar shall continue to be members of this corporation only until the opening of the next Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, at which time the membership of all such members other than those referred to in (a) above shall cease unless they are among those who officially register and attend the next Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The Secretary of the corporation shall maintain at all times a list of those officially registering in attendance at each Triennial Conclave, and the membership under clause (b) above shall be limited to those members whose names appear on the records of the Secretary at the opening, after registration, of each Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment of Knights

Templar; provided that any member of the said Grand Encampment who shall officially register during the Triennial Conclave thereof shall be deemed a member as fully as though he had registered at the opening of the Conclave. No person other than those described in (a) and (b) above shall be eligible to be voting members of this corporation. At any and all meeting of the corporation, each voting member shall be entitled to one vote. Members may vote by proxy.

### **ARTICLE III**

### **SESSION or MEETING**

<u>Section 2.</u> The members of this corporation shall hold their meetings at the same place and on the same day or days selected by the fraternal organization known as and operated under the name of GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. <u>Special sessions or meeting of the members of this corporation may be held at the call of the President of the corporation in his discretion or at the written request of the majority of the members of the Board of Trustees or at the written request of 100 members of the corporation. Due notice of time and place of such special meeting shall be given to each member stating the nature of the business to be considered, and no business other than that specified in the call for the special session or meeting shall be transacted.</u>

### **ARTICLE III**

### **QUORUM**

<u>Section 3.</u> 50 members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business, except as provided by statute.

### ARTICLE III

#### CONDUCT

<u>Section 4.</u> In addition to the notice required by the laws of the State of Maryland, written notice of a regular or special meeting of the corporation shall be issued at least thirty (30) days prior thereto. All matters coming before such meeting shall be determined by a majority vote of those present and voting, except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws.

Section 7. The Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America shall preside at all meetings of the members and in his absence the Senior Elective Progressive Grand Line Officer of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America shall preside.

# REGISTRITION and PROXIES CREDENTIALS

NOTE: The members of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Corporation named in ARTICLE III SECTION 1 may be represented by proxies belonging to the same bodies. A proxy does not by virtue of such appointment become a member of the Grand Encampment. He shall before acting, produce acceptable evidence of his written appointment. Each member present in person or by proxy shall have only one vote.

It is necessary that credentials and proxies of those specified in ARTICLE III SECTION 1 above be executed and filed at the time of registration with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. credentials area. This area will be prepared to receive credential and proxy forms starting Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., in the assigned area at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, Indiana, concluding Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Noon.

(A Knights Templar Eye Foundations Corporation blank credentials form is enclosed.)

### **Proxy Form**

## Knights Templar Eye Foundation Corporation March 12, 2022 Special Call to Conclave

I HERBY CERTIFY - that I Sir Knight

Who is a member of the Grand or Subordinate Commandery of:
was present at the 68 <sup>th</sup> Triennial Conclave held August 14 – 18, 2021 in Minneapolis, Minnesota and registered as a member of the Grand Encampment.

Members of Grand Encampment are

- Grand Commanderies: Dais Officers and Past Grand Commanders
- Subordinate Commanderies: Dais Officers

Present this form to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Credentials area and your registration will be verified by using the 68<sup>th</sup> Triennial Registration log, please note if you are not on the log the Proxy will not be issued a ballot. Also, the person having this Proxy will be verified using the Masonic Membership System to verify that the Sir Knight presenting this Proxy is in good standing in your Grand or Subordinate body.

This Proxy is	s being given to Sir Knight:	

Who is a member of my Grand or Subordinate Commandery