

## Knights of Columbus – Council 9982 Escobares, Texas

## RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT

WHEREAS, Alfredo Vela, is a member in good standing of Escobares Council #9982 has announced that he will seek the office of Supreme Director for the Knights of Columbus, and

WHEREAS, Alfredo has served the Order and Escobares Council 9982 and Rio Grande City Council 2597 for over 41 years in several appointed and elected offices including Grand Knight and Treasurer of Rio Grande City Council 2597. He was also the Chief Counselor for the Columbian Squires of Circle 1481 in Rio Grande City; and

WHEREAS, he joined the Fourth Degree in March, 1989, and has served Assembly #1112 as a member and Faithful Navigator, and

WHEREAS, he served the Texas State Council as Brownsville Diocesan Deputy from 2004-2008; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed and served in four Major Directorships;

- a. State Program Director from 2008-2010 by State Deputy Javier Martinez; and
- b. State Charity Director from 2010-2012 by State Deputy Tony Herreth; and
- c. State Council Growth Director from 2012-2014 by State Deputy Jim Collins: and
- d. State Membership Director from 2014-2016 by State Deputy Terry Simonton; and

WHEREAS, when he served as Membership Director, Texas achieved Circle of Honor status both years.

WHEREAS, he has served the Texas State Council as State Treasurer from 2016-2018

WHEREAS, he has served the Texas State Council as State Secretary from 2018-2020, and

WHEREAS, he has served the Texas State Council as State Deputy from 2020 through 2022, and

WHEREAS, while State Deputy, Texas achieved Pinnacle Circle of Honor status both years, and

WHEREAS, he has served as Supreme Director from 2022 through the present, and

WHEREAS, as Supreme Director, he has served on the Hispanic Development and Disaster Relief committees, and

WHEREAS, he has served Immaculate Conception Church, Rio Grande City, Texas as: Usher, Lector; and

WHEREAS, he has been married to Rosa B. Vela for over thirty-eight years and they have two children, Amanda Vela and Armando Vela

BE IT RESOLVED, that Escobares Council 9982 endorses the nomination and election of Brother Alfredo Vela for the office of Supreme Director for the Knights of Columbus, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we draw attention to his outstanding leadership, commitment to the Principles of our Order, the dedicated years of service to the Knights of Columbus, our Church, and Community to the Councils of the State of Texas and their delegates to the 121<sup>st</sup> Annual Texas State Convention to be held in Corpus Christi, Texas.

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This Resolution of Endorsement was duly and unanimously passed at the Regular Business Meeting of Escobares Council 9982 on January 7, 2025.

Arnulfo Medrano, Grand Knight

Flavio Flores, Financial Secretary