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Dear Brother Knight:

On November 7, voters in eight states, including yours, will have an opportunity to approve proposed state constitutional amendments protecting marriage. So far, in every one of 20 states where such an amendment has already been put on the ballot, the voters have approved them.


In solidarity with the bishops of the United States, who have strongly endorsed constitutional protection of marriage, the Knights of Columbus is working hard to ensure passage of these amendments. It would be a serious setback if any marriage protection amendments fail this year.

At the Supreme Convention in Florida this past August, the Supreme Council adopted a resolution pledging to seek "legal and constitutional protection at the federal and state levels for the traditional definition of marriage as a union of one man and one woman." On November 7, you can help fulfill that pledge.

Recently, I asked that every council and assembly in America conduct a get-out-the-vote effort in their local parishes and communities. I hope that you will participate in this effort and personally encourage your family members, friends and fellow parishioners to vote.

In our constitutional democracy, accepting the civic responsibility to vote is our duty as citizens. For those of us who are members of the Knights of Columbus, this obligation includes responsibility for ensuring that our votes are consistent with our commitment to protect marriage, family and life in all its stages, from the moment of conception until natural death.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl A. Anderson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Carl A. Anderson
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