MEMORANDUM

TO: Vice Supreme Masters
District Masters
Faithful Navigators

From: Dennis J. Stoddard
Supreme Master

RE: Uniform Policy

Date: June 5, 2019

Effective midnight June 30, 2019, the Order will officially retire the Fourth Degree Cape and Chapeau uniform. Continued use of said uniform is a direct violation of the Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree.

Members of the Fourth Degree are instructed to review Section 38 of the Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, as revised in 2017, which prescribes the official dress uniform of the Fourth Degree.

We expect that all members of the Color Corps, as Catholic gentlemen, will comply with this policy.

As Vice Supreme Masters, District Masters, Faithful Navigators and Color Corps Commanders, it is your responsibility to instruct and direct your districts, assemblies, and members that they are required to wear the new uniform if they wish to participate in the Color Corps. If any member refuses to comply, you should handle the situation respectfully but firmly.

Starting on July 1, 2019, any member of the Color Corps wearing a cape and chapeau to an official event will be denied participation and will be given a written notice that he is in violation of the policy. His Faithful Navigator shall be notified and advised to counsel his assembly members that only the new uniform is to be worn

If a second violation occurs the member will be denied participation and will be ineligible to serve in the Color Corps for the remainder of the fraternal year. Notification of this action shall be sent to his Faithful Navigator and the Office of the Supreme Master.

Subsequent violations may result in a summary suspension under section 162 (6) of the Laws of the Order (Insubordination).

Any District Master or Faithful Navigator who cannot or will not support this policy should contact the Office of the Supreme Master immediately.

Faithful Navigators shall remove from office any Color Corps Commander who refuses to comply with this directive.