Parliamentarian Report November 10, 2018

DCCW's mission is to support, empower, and educate in areas of spirituality, leadership, and service. At our convention this April I presented the Resolutions that everyone voted on. They are only valid if we act upon them. I would like to cover the first two resolutions as a reminder of what we resolved to do. Hopefully your CCWs or individuals have already started applying the resolutions.

Keynote address:

Whereas, we all have received joy from Jesus in His Death and Resurrection, and

Whereas, in "Evangelii Gaudium," Pope Francis expresses the Joy of the Gospel, and states that Christians should appear as people who wish to show their joy, and

Whereas, the theme for the Diocesan Council of Catholic Womens' Convention is, "Be Full of Joy."

Be it resolved that we as Catholic Women, who are "full of joy," will write down five things each day that we are grateful for, and

Be it further resolved, that we as Catholic women, who are "full of joy," will pray each day the seven-word prayer, "Thank you God, Your Will Be Done!"

Legislative workshop:

Whereas, Pope Francis condemned the "Scourge of drug use," calling drug addiction "an evil," while addressing leaders of anti-drug agencies around the world, at the end of the 31st International Drug Enforcement Conference in Rome, and

Whereas, there are approximately 600 deaths in Utah per year, related to opioid addiction, and

Whereas, rural areas lack sufficient facilities and funding to assist with drug addictions, and Carbon County, who currently ranks first in Utah Counties, has been known as an opioid overdose hotspot for a number of years,

Be it resolved, that each one of us, as committed and caring Catholic women, will work to promote education about the travesty of opioid overdose and its prevention, and

Be it resolved, that each one of us, as committed and caring Catholic women, will encourage law enforcement agencies to work with communities, health care providers and pharmaceutical companies to provide education on the cost, as well as the crime rates, and problems associated with opioid addiction in the community and

Be it further resolved, that each one of us, as committed and caring Catholic women, will work with our elected officials, to support legislation and funding to build treatment facilities, in all rural counties with addiction problems.

In addition, I have made copies of "The Presidents Scripted Agenda" as a handout. It is on the table for you to take back to the ladies in your CCWs.

Submitted by Jeanne Audiss Parliamentarian.