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JOINT (SINGLE) RESOLUTION FORM

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TO: Grand Commandery

Regulation to be amended (Article, Section, Page, Paragraph, Line, etc.)

Grand Commandery -> **Article IX, Section 10 Quorum**

LANGUAGE TO BE AMENDED (deleted, changed, etc.)

Section 10 Quorum.

A quorum of a Commandery consists of nine members entitled to vote therein, including an officer authorized to open the same.

Identification of amended Article, Section, Page, Paragraph, Line, etc.
Grand Commandery -> Article IX, Section 10 Quorum.

NEW LANGUAGE

Change the language currently in Section 10 Quorum to read as follows:

A quorum shall consist of five members of each constituent Commandery, plus four from other Commanderies for a total of nine, including an officer authorized to convene a Conclave.

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NEW LANGUAGE (CONTINUED)

For the Purpose of Conducting Solely the Business of a Commandery, a quorum of Sir Knights for the purpose of conducting solely the business of a Commandery of Knights Templar in this jurisdiction may be less than nine, but must be greater than five, and must include an Officer authorized to open the same.

Discussion: This places our Grand Constitution in conformity with the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America respecting legislation passed at their 2018 Triennial in Indianapolis, Indiana. It liberalizes the quorum requirements concerning the minimum number of Sir Knights needed to convene a Conclave of a constituent Commandery in two instances:

- 1] To allow four of the nine required Sir Knights needed for a quorum to be from a different Commandery
- 2] To provide for the ability of a Commandery to open on a limited basis with less than nine, but more than five Sir Knights of that particular Commandery to conduct solely the business of the Commandery.

Legal reference: See Decision No. 1, Series 2019-2021, April 1, 2019, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.