



# The Grand Commandery

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## DECISION No. 1

### Bicentennial Joint Hosts

May 7, 2021

**WHEREAS** an assembly of delegates from Winchester Encampment, Warren Encampment, and Mt Carmel Encampment approved a resolution to establish a Grand Encampment of Sir Knights and the Appendant Orders (Red Cross and Malta) in Winchester, Virginia, for the State of Virginia, November 27, 1823 A.D., in the era of Knights Templar 705 A.O.; and

**WHEREAS** the Bicentennial Conclave and Ceremony will be held on Thursday – Saturday, May 3 – 5, 2023 in Williamsburg, Virginia, to *Honor 200 Years of Templar Masonry in Virginia*; and

**WHEREAS** a Special Bicentennial Committee was established in 2014 for preliminary planning and that the 2020 Bicentennial Committee Report indicates bicentennial planning is entering the detailed planning phase.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Peter R. Spring, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia, appoint the Commanderies of Chivalric District 2 (Portsmouth Commandery No. 5, Grice Commandery No. 16, Hampton Commandery No. 17, and Virginia Beach Commandery No. 36) to supplement the Bicentennial Committee efforts to inculcate interests on the part of the knights of this Jurisdiction and serve as joint hosts with the Grand Commandery of Virginia at the Bicentennial Conclave and Ceremony.

Given under my hand and seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia, on this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2021, A.O. 904. All true and courteous Knights will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

Courteously,

Attest:

Peter R. Spring, KCT  
Grand Commander



Major G. Stephenson, III, KCT  
Grand Recorder