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EXECUTIVE ORDER

By command of the Grand Encampment, I hereby order all subordinate commanderies within the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Florida to drape their charters at their next stated meeting in memory of Sir Knight William Henry Thornley, Jr., GCT, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, and to pay appropriate tribute to Sir Knight Thornley at their annual memorial service.

This Executive Order issued on this 24 day of December, 2010.

Courteously and fraternally,

S.K. Charles C. Cicero
Right Eminent Grand Commander, KTCH

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WILLIAM HOWARD KOON, II
MOST EMINENT GRAND MASTER

December 22, 2010

To the Sir Knights Under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar— My Dear Fraters:

It is with deep sadness that I advise you of the death of our beloved Sir Knight William Henry Thornley, Jr., GCT, Most Eminent Past Grand Master.

Sir Knight Thornley served as Right Eminent Grand Commander of Colorado in 1976. He was appointed Right Eminent Department Commander of the Northwestern Department in 1978 and reappointed for the 55th Triennium. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Captain General on Wednesday, August 18, 1982, at Hot Springs, Arkansas; elected Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo on Tuesday, August 13, 1985, at Cincinnati, Ohio; elected Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master on Tuesday, August 9, 1988 at Lexington, Kentucky; and, elected Most Eminent Grand Master on Tuesday, August 20, 1991, at Washington, D.C.

Sir Knight Thornley laid down his sword and entered the Supreme Asylum above on Tuesday, December 21, 2010.

It is my order that the Charters of all Commanderies under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment be draped in Sir Knight Thornley's honor at their next Stated Conclave following receipt of this notice. The Charter is to remain draped until the following Stated Conclave.

I further direct that the Charters of all Grand Commanderies under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment be draped in Sir Knight Thornley's honor during their Annual Conclave.

Each Commandery and Grand Commandery is expected to pay appropriate tribute to Sir Knight Thornley at their annual Memorial Service. Please remember Sir Knight Thornley's family in your prayers.

Yours in Templary,

⚔ *William H. Koon, II*

William H. Koon, II, GCT
Grand Master