

Proposal No. 2025-01 Black bell crown hat inclusion, Micheal T. Huff, GCG

Whereas Section 32 7 (d) of the Constitutions and Statutes of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Virginia states that “In lieu of the chapeau, a military style, Naval Officer type black hat (as described in the Grand Encampment Constitutions) may be worn, but ONLY at stated conclaves of Constituent Commanderies. The military style, Naval Officer type WHITE hat shall only be worn with the summer uniform. At official functions of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia (i.e., stated or special conclaves; Grand Commander’s Official Visits) the Chapeau shall be worn.”

Whereas Chapter **XXI** Section 257 of the Constitution **and Statutes** of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America stipulates “In lieu of the chapeau, a Grand Commandery may adopt a military style black or white dress cap, or black bell crown hat.”

Whereas the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia Uniform Regulation should **conform** to the **Constitution and Statutes** of the Grand Encampment.

Whereas: The resolution will bring the Uniform Regulations of Virginia in conformity with the Grand Encampment regarding authorized headwear for the Grand Commandery and Subordinate Commanderies in Virginia.

Therefore be it resolved that Section 32 7 (d) of the Constitutions and Statues of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia be amended to read as follows. “In lieu of the chapeau, a military-style, black dress cap or black bell crown hat (as described and conforming to in the Grand Encampment Constitutions Chapter XXI Section 257. Regulation Uniform) may be worn. The military style, Naval Officer type WHITE hat shall only be worn with the summer uniform.

Respectfully submitted,

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