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The Most Eminent Prince Hall Grand Commandery
of the Order of Knights Templar
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Florida

apartment of

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Proclamation #2

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: For my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." 2 Corinthians 13: 9

TO: The Right Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Very Eminent Grand Generalissimo, and Very Eminent Grand Captain General. To all other Grand Encampment Officers, both elected and appointed. To all Most Eminent Past Grand Commanders, Eminent Commanders, Past Eminent Commanders, Generalissimos, Captain Generals, and Sir, Knights comprising the Constituency of the Most Eminent Prince Hall Grand Commandery, of the Order of Knights Templar A. F. & A. M. of Florida.

TO: The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most worship Prince Hall Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. Of Florida, Incorporated; To the Grand Worthy Patron and the Grand Worthy Matron of the Royal Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; To the Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Chapter; To the Most Worthy Grand Joshua and Most Ancient Grand Matron, United Grand Court, Heroines of Jericho; Very Eminent Grand Ambassador and the Grand Chief Counselor, Bessie E, Pierce Grand Council of Lady Knights; to the Illustrious Deputy of the Valley of Florida; To the Illustrious State Grand Potentate, Arabic Grand Council, A.A.O.N.M.S.; To the Illustrious Grand Patron and the President of Al Shiah Council of Grand Courts of Deliberation--Daughter of Sphinx--A.A.O.D.O.S.; and to the Grand Youth Advisors of the National Order of Trailmasters and the Order of Sunbeams.

"IN HOC SIGNO VINCES"

Greetings:

This is submitted for information and guidance. Please take notice, and let us govern ourselves accordingly.

Attention Sir Knights, We are about embark upon a new Masonic year, and with it some new and exciting challenges. Along with these new exciting challenges, are going to be some tasks, that is going to be more difficult and complex than others. So, I want us to not loose heart, but continue being bold in the Might of our Lord . Standing with a willingness of mind to lead and govern; never giving in, but conquering each new challenge with confidence, with the understanding that we did not arrive to this point in life on our own, but had many to help and assist us alone the way. I'm reminded of the words of Jesus, according to John's Gospel, chapter 8 verse 12; John said, "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life," amen.

WHEREWITH: By virtue of the power and Authority vested in me. I, Most Eminent Sir Knight Gregory L. Dunton, II, 33°; Most Eminent Grand Commander, by power and authority vested in me, do hereby issue this official call and summons to all members comprising of the constituency of the Most Eminent Prince Hall Grand Commandery, to assemble in the City of Orlando, County of Orange and the State of Florida; April 20, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m., to convene and celebrate our Annual Grand Conclave.

WHEREAS:The purpose of the Annual Grand Conclave is to hear Annual Reports from all Departments and Officers of the Most Eminent Grand Commandery; to make new laws for the advancement of the Order; to reify or revoke any edicts; issue Charters; to conduct workshops; to elect new officers and the transaction of any such business deemed necessary for the good of the Order.

LET IT BE KNOWN: The uniform for all Sir Knights whom will be attending the Grand Conclave will be Black suit, white shirt, black bow tie, black socks and shoes. Officers of the Grand Commandery black Fatigue Cap (Bus Drive/ Service Cap) with silver band. All others unless a local Eminent Commander, or a 33° mason, the head dress is black skull /pill box cap (**No Berets**), jewels of office, shoulder rank straps, sword belts and sword. Black (Shield) leather or leather like aprons only with appropriate trims will be authorized. "Gold jewels or regalia" is unauthorized unless a member of the Supreme Grand Encampment. Sir Knights there will be no exceptions!

AND WHEREAS: The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Annual Grand Communications Committee have reserved as the host for the 114th Annual Grand Communications:

**The Avanti Palms Resort and Conference Center
6515 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819
For Reservations call: Monday thru Friday**

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST (866) 994-3157
Group Name: 114th Annual Grand Communication
The Attending Code is: 1906075

Room rates are Eighty Two dollars (\$82.00) plus 12.5% Tax. The deadline to make reservations is March 20, 2023. Check in is 4:00 p.m. And Check out is 11:00 a.m. There is a certain number of rooms blocked off at this rate. Do not wait to the last minute to make your reservations. Please note that, calls outside of the above mentioned hours will be directed to an offsite reservation center, and they do not have access to the group information, therefore, they will not be able to add reservations to the room block.

The Registration Fee for this Year's Grand Conclave is set at **Sixty Five Dollars (\$65.00)**, for Sir Knights. **Forty Dollars (\$40.00)** of this Registration fee will go toward the Grand Encampment's Banquet. Everyone "Must" be registered with the Grand Lodge and the Grand Royal Arch Chapter in order to be seated in the Grand Conclave. Registration forms and fees (check or money order) for all Knights is made out to the Most Eminent Prince Hall Grand Commandery, and mailed No later than April 7, 2023 to:

S.K. Walter Cason, 32°
Very Eminent Grand Recorder
506 Turkey Creek
Alachua, Florida 32615

AND FURTHER WHEREAS: I am requesting all that can, please come out and support the Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Royal Arch Grand Chapter during the Consecration Ceremony on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Please check the Grand Royal Arch Chapter's Proclamation for time.

AND ALSO FURTHER WHEREAS: that we are not completely out of the dangers of COVID -19. So in keeping with the policies of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge and the Grand Master, ALL members of the Grand Encampment (Sir and Ladies)are strongly couraged to practice COVID - 19 Protocols for all meetings, programs and activities

AND ALSO LET IT KNOW: Commanders, let us make sure all Dues and Taxes are paid prior to April 1, 2023. In order to be seated seated in the Grand Conclave, everyone must be registered with the M. W. Prince Hall Grand Lodge, M. E. Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Grand Chapter, and the M. E. Prince Hall Grand Commandery, Order of Knights Templar. NO EXCEPTIONS.

AND ALSO LET IT BE FURTHER KNOWN: This is an election year for most of our Cognate Bodies Leaders. Our very own Chief Grand Counselor, Lady Conchita J. Baldwin is serving out her last year. Therefore, the Grand Encampment will hold a Banquet, and the tickets for the banquet will be included within your registration of **Sixty Five Dollars (\$65.00)**. Everyone that is registering for the Grand Conclave "**MUST**" pay the full registration fee, whether they attend the banquet or not. The colors for the Ladies are Red and Pearl, and for all Sirs Knights, Black Suit, Black shirt, Red Bow Tie, Black Shoes and Socks.

BE IT KNOWN: That the Youth Department will conduct their Annual Silent Auction Fundraiser during the 114th Annual Grand Communication. The Grand Masters is encouraging everyone to support our Youth Department's Trailmasters and Sunbeams by bidding on and purchasing items offered during the Silent Auction. Please direct all inquiries concerning the Silent Auction to our Grand Youth Director Bro. William Haulstead at (321)225-0005.

****NOTE**** ALL Sessions, Banquets, and Activities Will Be Held At The Avanti Palms Resort And Conference Center, 6515 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819

Important date and information to remember:

Wednesday, March 20, 2023

(CUT-OFF DATE TO MAKE RESERVATION UNDER ROOM BLOCK CONTRACTED RATE)

BE IT ALSO KNOW: That the following schedule of meeting and events is tentative and subject to changes and adjustments:

**The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Florida, Inc.
Itinerary For 114th Annual Grand Communication (Tentative)
Friday, April 14, 2023 - Thursday, April 20, 2023**

Friday	April 14th	6:00 P.M.	Hospitality
Friday	April 14th	6:00 P.M.	Youth Activities
Saturday	April 15th	8:30 A.M.	Consecration of Grounds
Saturday	April 15th	8:00 A.M.	Trailmasters/Sunbeams Grand Sessions
Saturday	April 15th	9:00 A.M.	Workshop/OES
Saturday	April 15th	9:00 A.M.	Workshop/Grand Lodge
Saturday	April 15th	12:00 P.M.	Trailmasters/Sunbeams Luncheon
Saturday	April 15th	3:00 P.M.	State Inspector General Council Meeting
Saturday	April 15th	3:00 P.M.	Workshop/Heriones of Jericho
Saturday	April 15th	7:00 P.M.	Youth Department Social Activity
Saturday	April 15th	8:00 P.M.	Nobles/Daughters Dance
Sunday	April 16th	9:00 A.M.	MBF Board Meeting
Sunday	April 16th	9:00 A.M.	Workshop
Sunday	April 16th	11:00 A.M.	Grand Lodge Religious Service
Sunday	April 16th	2:00 P.M.	Head of Cognate Branches Meeting
Sunday	April 16th	3:00 P.M.	Executive Board Meeting
Sunday	April 16th	3:00 P.M.	Workshop
Sunday	April 16th	4:00 P.M.	District Deputy Grand Master's Meeting
Sunday	April 16th	4:00 P.M.	Trailmasters/Sunbeams Activity
Sunday	April 16th	7:00 P.M.	Knights Templar/Lady Knights Banquet
Monday	April 17th	8:00 A.M.	Royal Arch/Heroines of Jericho Sessions
Monday	April 17th	7:00 P.M.	Annie L. Davis Scholarship Banquet
Tuesday	April 18th	9:00 A.M.	Grand Lodge/Grand Chapter Sessions
Tuesday	April 18th	7:00 P.M.	Grand Lodge/Grand Chapter Awards Banquet
Wednesday	April 19th	9:00 A.M.	Grand Lodge/Grand Chapter Sessions
Wednesday	April 19th	4:00 P.M.	Trustees Board Meeting
Thursday	April 20th	8:00 A.M.	Knights Templar/Lady Knights Sessions
Thursday	April 20th	3:00 P.M.	Head of Cognate Branches Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Arabic Grand Council, Desert of Florida, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America, Desert of Florida "Grand Ole Hoe Down Dance" will be held Saturday, April 15, 2023, from 8:00 P.M. until 12:00 A.M. and admission is \$35.00.

Announcements (Cont.)

The Annual Gala Day Session of the Arabic Grand Council, Desert of Florida, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America, Desert of Florida will be held Friday June 9, 2023, through Sunday, June 11, 2023, at the Avanti Palms Resort and Conference Center, 6515 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819.

The Imperial Grand Council, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America will convene in Jackson, Mississippi on July 28, 2023, thru August 3, 2023.

According to the Apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 12 and verse 1, he teaches us saying, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the merices of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service," amen.

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that working in us." Ephesians 3:20 -21.

WHEREWITH, Done on this 11th Day of March, in the year of our Lord, 2023 A.D.; in the year of Order 905, Anno Ordinis, in the City of New Port Richey, County of Pasco and State of Florida; by the authority vested in me, Most Eminent Sir Knight Rev. Dr. Gregory L Dunton, II., 33°, D. Min., having caused the seal of the Most Eminent Prince Hall Grand Commandery, of the Order of Knights Templar, A. F. & A. M. Of Florida, to be affixed.

Attest:



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rev. Dr. Gregory L Dunton, II., 33°".

S. K. Rev. Dr. Gregory L Dunton, II., 33°, D. Min.
Most Eminent Grand Commander

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter Cason".

S. K. Walter Cason, 32°
Very Eminent Grand Recorder