



176th ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Salem, Oregon

June 4 & 5, 2026

This is the amended and complete Legislation for the 2026 Annual Communication. The following proposed Amendments and Resolutions to the Code have been properly received in the Grand Secretary's office, signed by the required number of members of Grand Lodge, duly checked by the Code, Resolutions, and Jurisprudence Committees and are now presented for the preview of the Delegates to the 176th Annual Communication.

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NOW READS:

Sec. 24. Amendments to Constitution —

This Constitution can be amended in the following manner only:

1. By a General Revision —

By a general revision of the Code when ordered by the Grand Lodge. Such revision shall be made by a Special Committee appointed by the Grand Master. This Committee shall submit its report, upon completion, to the Committee on Jurisprudence and to the Constituent Lodges at least ninety days before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. The Committee on Jurisprudence shall report thereon at such Annual Communication.

2. By an Amendment to Specified Sections or Subdivisions of the Code -

By an amendment, using the format in Section 24, subdivision 2, in triplicate, all copies signed by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge.

(a) The following format will be used to submit proposed amendments:

-Proposed legislation will start with a heading that cited the Section of the Code proposed for change, the Title of that Section of the Code and the year it will be considered at Grand Lodge Annual Communication.

-The legislation will then list the entire Section as is currently written in the Code for the "Now Reads" portion of the proposal.

-Legislation will then present the "Proposed to Read" portion in the following manner:

1. The "Proposed to Read" will again list the entire Section under consideration.

2. If there will be no changes to a paragraph or subdivision the text of that paragraph or subdivision will NOT be written out as in the "Now Reads" portion. Instead, the number of the paragraph or subdivision will be listed and the notation, "No change to this paragraph" or "No change to this subdivision" will be made.

3. If a change within a paragraph or subdivision deletes any existing text, the deletion will be indicated by showing the existing text with strikethrough.

4. If a change within a paragraph or subdivision adds text to the existing text, the addition will be indicated by underlining the new text.

5. The ~~strikethrough~~ and underlining will not appear in the Code if the legislation passes and are utilized only to facilitate understanding of the proposed change to the Section of the Code.
6. Those proposing amendments then would list the reason for the proposed change.

3. How Presented —

(a) A proposed amendment shall be filed with the Grand Secretary.

(b) If Presented Not Less Than One Hundred and Fifty Days Prior to the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge —

If a proposed amendment shall be filed with the Grand Secretary not less than one hundred and fifty days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, he shall immediately present the same to the Committee on the Code.

(c) Report of the Committee on the Code —

The Committee on the Code shall check the proposed amendment with the Code to determine that it is properly prepared, and, when in conflict with other portions of the Code, to prepare amendments necessary to reconcile such conflicts, to be submitted as companion amendments, as provided in Subdivision (2) hereof. The Committee's report shall be filed with the Grand Secretary not less than one hundred five days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

(d) Action by Grand Secretary —

Upon receipt of the report of the Committee on the Code, the Grand Secretary shall have copies of the proposed amendment prepared and mailed to the members of the Jurisprudence Committee not less than 90 days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

(e) Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence —

The Committee on Jurisprudence shall review the Report of the Committee on the Code and the proposed amendments to the Code, notifying the Chairman of the Committee on the Code of conflicts with the Code. Said method of notification to be at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence. The Committee on Jurisprudence shall file its report on the proposed amendments with the Grand Secretary not less than 60 days before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

(f) Action by Grand Secretary —

Upon receipt of the reports of the Committee on the Code and the Committee on Jurisprudence, the Grand Secretary shall have copies of the proposed amendment prepared and mailed to the Constituent Lodges not less than 45 days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

(g) Amendment Proposed Less Than One Hundred and Fifty Days Before Grand Lodge —

When a proposed amendment is presented to the Grand Secretary less than one hundred and fifty days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, it shall be submitted to a vote of the Grand Lodge. If a majority favor the theory of the proposed amendment, it shall be referred to the Committee on the Code, and that Committee shall include the proposed legislation in its report prior to the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge as provided in sub. 3(c) hereof, for final consideration and vote.

4. Final Action — Jurisprudence Committee Report

(a) When Report is FAVORABLE and adopted Vote on amendment at once.

- (b) When Report is FAVORABLE and NOT adopted no vote is taken.
- (c) When Report is UNFAVORABLE and adopted no vote is taken.
- (d) When Report is UNFAVORABLE and NOT adopted Vote on amendment at once.

5. Vote Required —

Three-fourths of the votes cast shall be required for the adoption of all proposed amendments to this Constitution.

6. Separate Voting On Companion Amendments Limited —

When either the sponsors of any proposed amendment to the Code or the Code Committee has submitted any additional proposed amendments which they have designated as companion amendments or when the report of the Jurisprudence Committee that the additional proposed amendments are companion amendments has been adopted, a vote to approve the amendment shall act to automatically approve all companion amendments without further report, motion or vote and a vote to reject the proposed amendment shall automatically reject all companion amendments without further report, motion or vote.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 24. Amendments to Constitution —

This Constitution can be amended in the following manner only:

- 1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
- 2. By an Amendment to Specified Sections or Subdivisions of the Code -

By an amendment, using the format in Section 24, subdivision 2, in triplicate, all copies ~~signed~~ containing wet signatures by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge, as defined in Section 9.

(a) The following format will be used to submit proposed amendments:

- Proposed legislation will start with a heading that ~~cited~~ cites the Section of the Code proposed for change, the Title of that Section of the Code and the year it will be considered at Grand Lodge Annual Communication.
- The legislation will then list the entire Section as is currently written in the Code for the “Now Reads” portion of the proposal.
- Legislation will then present the “Proposed to Read” portion in the following manner:
 - 1. NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION
 - 2. NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION
 - 3. NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION
 - 4. NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION
 - 5. NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION
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- 3. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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- 6. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

There has been persistent confusion regarding the acceptable format of signed legislation submitted to the Grand Secretary for consideration. The Committee on Jurisprudence has specified the intent of this clause is to require wet signatures in triplicate on more than one occasion. This change will provide clarity and reduce confusion. There is also a change recommended to update the tense of the word “cited” to “cites” and an addition of language to direct the reader to Section 9 for guidance as to who is eligible to sign the proposed amendments.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Hunt M. Compton, Past Grand Master; W.B. Adam M. Bayer, Code Committee; M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master.

COMPANION LEGISLATION: SECTION 140

NOW READS:

Sec. 140. Duties of Committee on the Code —

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Code:

1. To examine all proposed amendments to the Code, before presentation to the Grand Lodge, to see that they are in proper form and that any other section or sections with which the proposed amendments may be in conflict are also covered by companion proposed amendments.
2. To assist any Brother or Brethren in preparing amendments to the Code.
3. To maintain, in the Grand Secretary's office, a master copy of this Code, and see that all amendments thereto are included therein.
4. To familiarize themselves with the Code, consider suggestions and present such amendments as they may deem necessary, in and on the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge, in triplicate, all copies signed by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 140. Duties of Committee on the Code —

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Code:

1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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3. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
4. To familiarize themselves with the Code, consider suggestions and present such amendments as they may deem necessary, in and on the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge, in triplicate, all copies signed containing wet signatures by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge, as defined in Section 9.

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

This is Companion Legislation to accompany the proposed changes to Section 24 regarding the acceptable format of signed legislation submitted to the Grand Secretary for consideration. This change to Section 140 will keep other references to the signing of legislation in accord, should the proposed change to Section 24 be approved.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Hunt M. Compton, Past Grand Master; W.B. Mark R. Reed, Senior Grand Deacon; M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master.

COMPANION LEGISLATION: SECTION 150

NOW READS:

Sec. 150. Resolutions, How Submitted —

1. Resolutions shall be submitted in triplicate, signed by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge.

2. The proposed Resolution shall be filed with the Grand Secretary not less than one hundred fifty days prior to the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.
3. The Committee on Resolutions shall check the proposed Resolution with the Code to determine that it is properly prepared, does not conflict with the Code, and to prepare modification of the Resolution to reconcile such conflicts.
4. The Committee's report shall be filed with the Grand Secretary not less than one hundred and five days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.
5. Action by Grand Secretary —
Upon receipt of the report of the Committee on Resolutions, the Grand Secretary shall have copies of the proposed Resolution prepared and mailed to the members of the Jurisprudence Committee not less than 90 days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.
6. Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence —
The Committee on Jurisprudence shall review the Report of the Committee on Resolutions on the proposed resolutions, notifying the Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions of conflicts with the Code. Said method of notification to be at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence. The Committee on Jurisprudence shall file its report on proposed Resolutions with the Grand Secretary not less than 60 days before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.
7. Action by Grand Secretary —
Upon receipt of the reports on the Committee on Resolutions and the Committee on Jurisprudence, the Grand Secretary shall have copies of the proposed Resolution prepared and mailed to the Constituent Lodges not less than 45 days before the date of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.
8. Vote Required —
Two thirds of the votes cast shall be required for the adoption of all proposed Resolutions with exception of those Resolutions cited in Subsection 9 below.
9. Resolutions which address the following will require a simple majority of all votes cast
 - (a) Resolution to confer honorary membership in this Grand Lodge
 - (b) Resolution of gratitude for services rendered and/or acts performed

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 150. Resolutions, How Submitted —

1. Resolutions shall be submitted in triplicate, ~~signed~~ all copies containing wet signatures by not less than three members of the Grand Lodge, as defined in Section 9.
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REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

This is Companion Legislation to accompany the proposed changes to Section 24 regarding the acceptable format of signed legislation submitted to the Grand Secretary for consideration. This change to Section 150 will keep other references to the signing of legislation in accord, should the proposed change to Section 24 be approved.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Hunt M. Compton, Past Grand Master; W.B. Mark R. Reed, Senior Grand Deacon; M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master.

NOW READS:**Sec. 128. Powers and Duties of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge —**

1. Presiding Officer —

The Grand Master shall preside as Chairman, and, in his absence, the Deputy Grand Master shall preside, and, if both are absent, the Senior Grand Warden shall preside.

2. Time and Place of Meetings —

The Trustees shall hold monthly meetings on such dates and at such hours and places as the Grand Master shall order. They may hold special meetings at the order of the Grand Master or on written call of two Trustees. Each Trustee shall have not less than five days written notice of the time and place of each meeting.

3. Supervision of Funds and Properties —

They shall designate one or more banks as depositories for evidence of investments and other valuable papers belonging to the Grand Lodge. Access thereto shall be invested in such persons as may be authorized by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

4. Titles to Property —

The Trustees shall take and hold title to all real, personal and mixed property in the name of “The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon.”

5. Investment of Funds —

(a) It shall be the duty of the Trustees to supervise the purchase of investments from the funds or trust funds of the Grand Lodge. The purchase of State, County, School and Municipal Warrants shall not be permitted. All investments shall be made, primarily, with a view to the safety of the principal rather than the amount of income. It shall also be the duty of the Trustees to supervise the sales of securities or other properties of the Grand Lodge when deemed advisable or necessary, and the reinvestment of proceeds derived from the sale, payment or redemption of securities or other properties of the Grand Lodge. The Trustees shall adopt appropriate criteria for the Investments of the Grand Lodge.

(b) Capital gains or losses created in the sales of securities shall be distributed to the principal account of the participating fund on the basis of the percentage of participation of each fund as of the end of each fiscal year.

6. Auditing Bills, Etc. —

The Trustees, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, shall examine all bills and claims against the Grand Lodge, and, if allowed, order checks to be drawn in payment of same.

7. Educational Assistance —

The Trustees shall examine into the merits of any case brought to their attention by the Master of any Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, or by other Masonic information, in which any resident or nonresident children or grandchildren of a Master Mason of a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction shall require assistance to obtain an education in public school K through 12, or post high school through age 22. The Trustees shall determine whether such case is proper for assistance, and, if so, shall appropriate from the income of the Educational Fund such amount or amounts as may be necessary and available.

8. Masonic Relief —

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge shall investigate all applications for assistance made to the Grand Master, or the Trustees, and appropriate from the General Fund such amounts as they shall determine to be necessary and proper.

9. Reimbursing Lodges for Relief —

When Masonic relief shall have been afforded by a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction to a Master Mason in good standing in a Lodge in a Grand Jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Lodge, or to his widow or orphans, the Lodge affording the relief should apply for reimbursement to the Lodge of which the Master Mason is or was a member. Should reimbursement not be made, the Lodge may present to the Trustees of the Grand Lodge a claim for reimbursement, together with such proofs and correspondence as are available, and certified as correct by the Master and Secretary of the Lodge.

10. To Establish Masonic Service Bureaus —

(a) To provide for the relief of distressed worthy sojourners, to insure proper investigations of requests for relief, and to perform other duties essential to the proper functioning of Freemasonry in the area, the Trustees of the Grand Lodge are empowered to establish a Masonic Service Bureau in any area of this Grand Jurisdiction when requested to do so by a majority of the Lodges in such area; to direct the activities thereof; and to provide such funds for the support thereof as may be determined by the Grand Lodge. The foregoing shall not in any way affect the boundaries of any existing Masonic Service Bureau.

(b) Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and regulations of a Bureau so established shall be approved by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

11. Reimbursing Boards of Relief or Masonic Service Bureaus —

When Masonic relief shall have been afforded by a Board of Relief or a Masonic Service Bureau in this Grand Jurisdiction under the conditions set forth in Subdivision 9 of this Section, such Board of Relief or Masonic Service Bureau may present a claim for reimbursement to the Trustees of the Grand Lodge. Such claim shall be certified as correct by the President and Secretary of the Board of Relief or Masonic Service Bureau and shall be supported by such proofs and correspondence as are available, and action thereon shall be as provided in Subdivision 12 of this Section.

12. Claims, Lodges or Boards of Relief —

All claims presented to the Trustees of the Grand Lodge in conformity with Subdivisions 9 and 11 of this Section, shall be audited by them and, if found correct and approved, they shall appropriate from the General Fund such amounts as may be approved by them.

13. Printing Contracts —

The Trustees shall provide for all printing of the Grand Lodge and of the Grand Secretary's office.

14. Masonic and Eastern Star Home —

The Trustees shall be the representatives of this Grand Lodge on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Board.

15. Annual Report on Management of Funds —

The Trustees shall at each Annual Communication, make a report to the Grand Lodge setting forth in detail all their acts in the management and control of the several funds of the Grand Lodge and of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

16. Annual Report on Loans and Investments —

The Trustees shall, at each Annual Communication, report the loans and investments made during the year, and may make suggestions and recommendations relating to the property and financial interests of the Grand Lodge as to them may seem necessary and advantageous.

17. Compensation of Employees —

Compensation for persons employed to perform services in connection with the business of the Grand Lodge shall be paid in the same manner as are other claims against the Grand Lodge.

18. Expenses of Trustees —

The Trustees shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in performing their duties as Trustees.

19. Forms —

The Trustees shall examine and approve all forms required for use by Constituent Lodges, or the Grand Lodge, as prescribed in this Code.

20. Appointment of Auditor —

The trustees shall employ a Certified Public Accountant, or Accountants, who shall examine and report upon income, expenditures and all other matters relating to the financial affairs of the Grand Lodge and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. The report of the Auditor shall be filed with the Grand Secretary, together with a certificate that such audit has been made, and said certificate shall be included in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

21. Blanket Bond —

The Trustees shall procure a blanket bond for the bonding of Secretaries, Treasurers, Trustees and members of Lodges who may have custody of funds or property of Lodges and who are not otherwise bonded as provided in Sec. 213-6.

22. Liability Insurance —

The Trustees shall procure blanket Liability Insurance and Workers' Compensation and or Accident Insurance for the protection of the Grand Lodge and the Constituent Lodges in such sum and under such conditions as they may determine.

23. Determining Salary of Grand Secretary —

The Trustees shall determine the salary of the Grand Secretary as provided in Sec. 160-1.

24. Expenses —

The Trustees shall provide expenses to the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and the Deputy Grand Master to attend the annual Conference of Grand Masters and the annual Conference of Grand Secretaries.

25. Assistant Grand Secretary —

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge shall appoint an Assistant Grand Secretary, who shall have the full right and authority under the supervision of the Grand Lodge Trustees, to act for or on behalf of the Grand Secretary, in the absence or inability of the Grand Secretary, and shall perform such other duties as may be determined by the Grand Secretary or the Grand Lodge Trustees.

26. Approve Manuscripts —

All manuscripts for publication by Grand Lodge shall be approved by Grand Lodge or the Trustees before publication.

27. Retention of Records —

Operative business records and documents of the Grand Lodge having no historical value and which are no longer useful may be disposed of at the discretion of the Trustees.

28. Retirement Program for Employees —

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge shall establish and fund a pension plan for the Grand Secretary, Assistant Grand Secretary and full time employees of the office of the Grand Secretary, which complies with applicable statutes and administrative rules of the Federal and State governments.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 128. Powers and Duties of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge —

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25. Assistant Grand Secretary —

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge ~~shall~~ may appoint an Assistant Grand Secretary, who shall have the full right and authority under the supervision of the Grand Lodge Trustees, to act for or on behalf of the Grand Secretary, in the absence or inability of the Grand Secretary, and shall perform such other duties as may be determined by the Grand Secretary or the Grand Lodge Trustees.

26. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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28. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

Due to various logistical and financial considerations, the Trustees of the Grand Lodge have found it is not always advantageous to continuously fill the position of Assistant Grand Secretary. Changing the wording of this section from “shall” to “may” will provide flexibility and allow the Trustees to fill this office only when needed and in the best interests of the Fraternity.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Gregory A. Jenkins, Past Grand Master; M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master; and R.W.B. Brian S. Jenkins, District Deputy of the Grand Master for District No. 9.

COMPANION LEGISLATION: SECTION 13

NOW READS:

Sec. 13. Grand Lodge Officers —

Officers of the Grand Lodge shall be:

1. Elective Officers —

At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge there shall be elected, by written or electronic ballot, the following officers: A Grand Master; Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary.

2. Appointive Officers —

Each Grand Master shall appoint a Grand Chaplain, Grand Lecturer, Senior Grand Deacon, Junior Grand Deacon, Grand Marshal, Grand Orator, Grand Historian, Senior Grand Steward, Junior Grand Steward, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Musician, Grand Pursuivant and Grand Tyler. An Assistant Grand Secretary who shall be appointed by the Grand Lodge Trustees as provided in Sec. 128-25.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 13. Grand Lodge Officers —

1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH.

2. Appointive Officers —

Each Grand Master shall appoint a Grand Chaplain, Grand Lecturer, Senior Grand Deacon, Junior Grand Deacon, Grand Marshal, Grand Orator, Grand Historian, Senior Grand Steward, Junior Grand Steward, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Musician, Grand Pursuivant and Grand Tyler. An Assistant Grand Secretary ~~who shall~~ may be appointed by the Grand Lodge Trustees as provided in Sec. 128-25.

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

Due to various logistical and financial considerations, the Trustees of the Grand Lodge have found it is not always advantageous to continuously fill the position of Assistant Grand Secretary. Changing the wording of this section is companion legislation which will provide flexibility and allow the Trustees to fill this office only when needed and in the best interests of the Fraternity.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Gregory A. Jenkins, Past Grand Master; M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master; and R.W.B. Brian S. Jenkins, District Deputy of the Grand Master for District No. 9.

III

NOW READS:

Sec. 157. Fees, Dues, Assessments, Etc., to be Paid by Chartered Lodges and Lodges U.D. —

There shall be paid by Chartered Lodges and Lodges U.D.:

1. Fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a Dispensation to form a new Lodge.
2. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for a Charter to perpetuate a new Lodge.
3. Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for any other Dispensation unless otherwise provided.
4. Eleven dollars (\$11.00) for each Entered Apprentice degree conferred for any Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.
The foregoing amount shall be allocated as follows:
 - (a) One dollar (\$1.00) to the General Fund.
 - (b) Five dollars (\$5.00) to the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund.
 - (c) Five dollars (\$5.00) to the Home Building Fund.
5. One dollar (\$1.00) for each Fellowcraft degree conferred for a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.
6. One dollar (\$1.00) for each Master Mason degree conferred for a Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.
7. Ten dollars (\$10.00) for each member admitted by affiliation from another Grand Jurisdiction, which shall be allocated to the Home Building Fund.
8. Eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50) for each Master Mason reported in the Annual Returns of each Lodge, and not relieved from payment as provided in Sec. 254, Subdivision 3(a). The foregoing amount shall be allocated as follows: (a) Four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) to the General Fund. (b) Five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) to the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund. (c) Fifteen cents (\$0.15) to the Masonic Service Association Hospital Visitation Fund. (d) One dollar (\$1.00) to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. (e) Thirty-five cents (\$0.35) to the Masonic Service Association.
9. Assessments levied by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge at an Annual Communication for a specifically designated purpose.
10. The foregoing amounts, except as provided in Subdivisions 4, 7, 8, and 9 shall be allocated to the General Fund.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 157. Fees, Dues, Assessments, Etc., to be Paid by Chartered Lodges and Lodges U.D. —

There shall be paid by Chartered Lodges and Lodges U.D.:

1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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3. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
4. Eleven dollars (\$11.00) for each Entered Apprentice degree conferred for any Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.

The foregoing amount shall be allocated as follows:

- (a) ~~One dollar (\$1.00)~~ Six dollars (\$6.00) to the General Fund.

- ~~(b) Five dollars (\$5.00) to the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund.~~
- ~~(c) (b) Five dollars (\$5.00) to the Home Building Fund.~~
- 5. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
- 6. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
- 7. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
- 8. Eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50) for each Master Mason reported in the Annual Returns of each Lodge, and not relieved from payment as provided in Sec. 254, Subdivision 3(a).
The foregoing amount shall be allocated as follows:
 - (a) ~~Four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50)~~ Ten dollars (\$10.00) to the General Fund.
 - ~~(b) Five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) to the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund.~~
 - ~~(c) (b) Fifteen cents (\$0.15) to the Masonic Service Association Hospital Visitation Fund.~~
 - ~~(d) (c) One dollar (\$1.00) to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial.~~
 - ~~(e) (d) Thirty-five cents (\$0.35) to the Masonic Service Association.~~
- 9. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
- 10. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

The Home Operating and Maintenance Fund has sufficient funds that together with the earnings on the Home Endowment Fund should cover the needs of the MasonicAid program for the foreseeable future. On the other hand, the per capita for the General Fund has remained stagnant and has not kept up with escalation in costs.

Sponsored by R.W.B. Richard D. Varner, Deputy Grand Master; W.B. Andre Cvitanich, Grand Pursuivant; and W.B. George Legoretta, Worshipful Master, Corvallis Lodge No. 14.

COMPANION LEGISLATION: SECTION 155

NOW READS:

Sec. 155. Funds of Masonic and Eastern Star Home —

- 1. How Held —
The funds of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home are, and shall be, held in the name of The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon for the use and benefit of said Home, as set forth in the agreement by and between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Oregon on pages 71 to 73 inclusive of the Annual Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for 1923, and are as follows:
- 2. The Home Operating and Maintenance Fund —
This fund shall consist of:
 - (a) Five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) per year for each Master Mason reported in the Annual Returns of each Lodge and not relieved from payment as provided in Sec. 254, Subdivision 3(a).
 - (b) Five dollars (\$5.00) for each Entered Apprentice degree conferred for a Constituent Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.
 - (c) Proceeds of the per capita tax levied for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.
 - (d) The net investment earnings received from the Home Endowment Fund as provided in Section 155-3(b).
 - (e) Such sums as may be received from Home Guests for monthly subsistence such as Social Security Payments, Welfare, Pensions and Annuities and such sums as may be appropriated to it by the Grand Lodge and any other gifts, devises or bequests not otherwise restricted.
 - (f) This fund shall be expended for the operation, maintenance and other expense of the Masonic

and Eastern Star Home, and for the care of residents within the Home and for those who may be maintained outside under the direction of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Board.

(g) Any unexpended cash balance in this fund, as shown by the financial report of the Grand Treasurer at an Annual Communication, may at that time be transferred to either the Home Endowment Fund or to the Home Building Fund upon order of the Grand Lodge, or subsequent thereto upon order of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

3. The Home Endowment Fund —

(a) This fund shall consist of all gifts, devises and bequests that may be made to or for the benefit of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, such funds as may be appropriated to this fund by the Grand Lodge and such funds as may be turned over to the Grand Lodge by the residents of the Home excepting monthly subsistence payments such as those arising from Social Security payments, welfare, pensions and annuities (which shall be credited to the Guest's account in the Home Maintenance Fund).

(b) The principal of this Fund shall be invested by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge, as provided in Section 128-5, unless any part thereof is restricted by the donor, and shall not be otherwise expended or transferred to another fund. The earnings thereof, exclusive of the cost of administration and the reserve set up as provided in Section 156, shall be credited to the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund and become a part thereof as provided in Section 155-2(d).

4. The Home Building Fund —

This fund shall consist of:

(a) Five dollars (\$5.00) for each Entered Apprentice degree conferred for a Constituent Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.

(b) Ten dollars (\$10.00) for each affiliation of a Master Mason from another Grand Jurisdiction.

(c) The earnings and the net proceeds received from the investments of this fund.

(d) Such other sums as may be received by the Grand Lodge or otherwise and specifically designated for this fund.

(e) Disbursements — The principal of this fund may be invested by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge as provided in Section 128-5 and may be expended under the direction of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Board for the construction of buildings, extensions, improvements, betterments, furnishings and equipment for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

(f) Limit of Fund — Whenever the principal of this fund shall exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), any excess not otherwise restricted may be transferred to the Home Endowment, or the Home Operating and Maintenance Fund, upon order of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Board.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 155. Funds of Masonic and Eastern Star Home —

1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

2. The Home Operating and Maintenance Fund —

This fund shall consist of:

~~(a) Five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) per year for each Master Mason reported in the Annual Returns of each Lodge and not relieved from payment as provided in Sec. 254, Subdivision 3(a).~~

~~(b) Five dollars (\$5.00) for each Entered Apprentice degree conferred for a Constituent Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction.~~

~~(c) (a) Proceeds of the per capita tax levied for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Oregon.~~

~~(d)~~ (b) The net investment earnings received from the Home Endowment Fund as provided in Section 155-3(b).

~~(e)~~ (c) Such sums as may be received from Home Guests for monthly subsistence such as Social Security Payments, Welfare, Pensions and Annuities and such sums as may be appropriated to it by the Grand Lodge and any other gifts, devises or bequests not otherwise restricted.

~~(f)~~ (d) This fund shall be expended for the operation, maintenance and other expense of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, and for the care of residents within the Home and for those who may be maintained outside under the direction of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Board.

~~(g)~~ (e) Any unexpended cash balance in this fund, as shown by the financial report of the Grand Treasurer at an Annual Communication, may at that time be transferred to either the Home Endowment Fund or to the Home Building Fund upon order of the Grand Lodge, or subsequent thereto upon order of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

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REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

The income provided by the earnings on the Home Endowment fund has grown to the point where it is sufficient to fund the services paid out of the Home Operating and Maintenance fund and can be better used to support the Grand Lodge. There is also a change in the new subsection 2a regarding the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Oregon, to distinguish it from other Grand Chapters and maintain conformity with Subsection 1.

Sponsored by R.W.B. Richard D. Varner, Deputy Grand Master; W.B. Andre J. Cvitanich, Grand Pursuivant; and W.B. George L. Legoretta, Worshipful Master of Corvallis Lodge No. 14.

IV

NOW READS:

Sec. 213. Lodges — Powers, Duties and Limitations —

It shall be the duty of a Lodge:

1. To conduct business in strict accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Lodge and the By-Laws of the Lodge and permit no suspension of any part of its By-Laws, except by Dispensation of the Grand Master.
2. Adopt Uniform By-Laws —
To adopt the Uniform Code of By-Laws in the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge.
3. Stated Communications —
To hold one and not to exceed two Stated Communications in each month, except that a Lodge may call from labor during either or both the months of July and August or January and February.
4. Suitable Lodge Room —
To provide a safe and suitable Lodge Room.
5. Record of Proceedings —
To keep a proper and complete record of its proceedings
6. Bonding of Officers and Members —
In addition to the bonding of Secretaries and Treasurers of Lodges, as provided in Sec. 220-1 and Section 221-1 of this Code, each other officer, Trustee or member of a Lodge who shall have custody of funds or property of a Lodge, shall file, with the Master of the Lodge, a bond in such sum as the Lodge may direct, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties required, and will deliver to his successor all moneys, books, papers, securities or other property of the Lodge in his possession. Such bond shall be furnished by a surety company qualified to do business in the State of Oregon and approved by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge, or may be by participation in a blanket bond to be procured by the Trustees of the Grand Lodge for such purpose. The cost of such bond, or a proportionate part of such blanket bond, shall be paid out of the funds of the Lodge.
7. No Communication on Sunday, Except —
A Lodge shall not be convened on Sunday except for funeral purposes, for the purpose of celebrating the Festival of St. John the Baptist (June 24) or St. John the Evangelist (December 27) by appropriate ceremonies in the Lodge room or by attending church on those days or on a Sunday preceding or following such days. For the celebration of either St. John's Day the Lodge shall be opened on the Entered Apprentice degree.
8. Annual Returns —
The Grand Secretary shall prepare and transmit to each constituent Lodge an annual return, **to reach constituent Lodge prior to March 31st each year.** The Secretary of each constituent Lodge shall after execution of such return, transmit the same to the Grand Secretary by **April 10th each year.** Such annual returns shall be signed by the Master and attested by the Secretary under seal of the Lodge.
9. Failure to File Annual Returns —
A Lodge, whose annual returns are not in the hands of the Grand Secretary **by April 10th,** shall be assessed one dollar for each day delinquent thereafter. Such penalty shall be added, by the

Grand Secretary, to the Annual Returns so delinquent and shall be paid from the funds of the Lodge; and during such delinquency such Lodge shall not be entitled to representation in the Grand Lodge; provided, upon the Lodge presenting a satisfactory reason for failure to file its Annual Returns, the Grand Lodge may remit the penalty and return the Lodge to representation in Grand Lodge.

10. Charter Arrested for Failure to File Returns —

If a Lodge shall fail to file its Annual Returns for two consecutive years, its Charter may be arrested by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master, and the effects of the Lodge shall be surrendered to the Grand Lodge; provided, that upon such Lodge making full returns and paying all amounts due the Grand Lodge, the Charter and other effects of such Lodge may be restored by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

11. Lodge Register —

To keep a Lodge Register, in which shall be entered the names of all members with their Masonic records.

12. *Deleted by Amendment 06-06-2025.*

13. Monthly Reports to Grand Secretary —

To make monthly reports to the Grand Secretary, in and on the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge.

14. Communications From Grand Officers and Grand Committees —

(a) To read all communications from the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, other Grand Lodge Officers and Grand Lodge Committees at the Stated Communication next following their receipt, and record of such reading shall be noted in the minutes, except as provided in Sec. 213-14 (b).

(b) **In lieu of reading** the Grand Secretary's Monthly Report of Petitions Received, **it shall** be posted on the Bulletin board of the Lodge, or other space customarily provided for viewing by members of the Lodge.

15. Representation in Grand Lodge —

To be represented at every Annual and Special Communication of the Grand Lodge.

16. Roster of Officers to Grand Secretary —

Each Lodge shall, within five days after the Annual Installation of officers, transmit to the Grand Secretary a list, duly certified under the Seal of the Lodge, containing the names of the newly installed officers, with the dates of their installation, the name and title of the installing officer, and the post office addresses of the Master and Secretary.

17. Adoption of Seal —

To adopt an appropriate Seal.

18. Apron to Entered Apprentices —

To present to each candidate at his initiation a Lambskin or other White Leather Apron as described in Sec. 268-1.

19. Signing of By-Laws —

To require each member to sign the By-Laws of the Lodge immediately after receiving the Master

Mason degree, or after affiliation; provided, if a Brother is raised in another Lodge by courtesy, the Secretary of such Lodge shall transmit the signature of the Brother so raised to be attached to the By-Laws of his own Lodge.

20. Certificate of Membership —

To present to each Master Mason, immediately after he shall have been raised and signed the By-Laws of the Lodge, a Certificate of Membership in and on the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge, and also a copy of the Manual of the Lodge.

21. Uniform Receipts —

To use the uniform dues receipts provided by the Grand Lodge for dues paid by members.

22. Funds and Securities —

(a) To select a depository in which all funds of the Lodge shall be promptly deposited.

(b) To keep all its bonds, notes, securities and other instruments of value in a safe deposit box in the name of the Lodge,

(c) Or, a Lodge, by resolution, may direct that such bonds, notes, securities and other instruments of value may be deposited with a bank or trust company for safe keeping.

(d) If no safe deposit company, bank or trust company shall be conveniently accessible to the Lodge, such bonds, notes, securities and other instruments of value may be deposited with the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge for safe keeping.

(e) Access to such bonds, notes, securities and other instruments of value shall be had jointly by two or more officers, Trustees or other members of the Lodge, duly authorized by the Lodge.

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A Lodge shall not lend money to a member thereof.

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A Lodge or member thereof shall not hold Masonic communication within this Grand Jurisdiction with any Lodge or Body claiming to be Masonic (or any member thereof) which has not been recognized by this Grand Lodge. When visiting or sojourning in a Grand Jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Jurisdiction you are subject to the laws and rules of that Grand Jurisdiction while sojourning, provided under no circumstances shall an Oregon Mason visit an irregular or clandestine lodge.

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Each and every Lodge located in an area where a Masonic Service Bureau has been established shall maintain membership in such Service Bureau, and abide by the By-Laws and regulations thereof.

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(d) Each member shall be notified of the proposed removal and of the date set for final consideration.

(e) If, upon final action, two-thirds of the members present shall vote favorably, the Lodge shall then petition the Grand Master for a Dispensation authorizing the removal, and the removal shall not take place until such Dispensation shall have been granted.

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A Lodge cannot levy a special tax or assessment except by authority of the Grand Lodge or Dispensation from the Grand Master. Such levy or assessment can be levied only by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Lodge present, and after due notice has been given to all members.

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(a) A Lodge desiring to incorporate shall secure permission of the Grand Lodge or the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

(b) Any Lodge which shall be hereafter incorporated shall include, in the articles of incorporation, a clause to provide that, upon arrest, revocation of charter or upon dissolution of the Lodge for any reason, title to all property, of whatsoever kind, of which the Lodge may be possessed, shall vest in the Grand Lodge, subject to all legal and equitable rights of creditors of such demised Lodge in and to such properties.

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REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

To bring the fees for a violation of the Code up to a more reasonable amount. This is a housekeeping measure.

Sponsored by M.W.B. James L. Morgan, Past Grand Master; W.B. Andre J. Cvitanich, Grand Pursuivant; and W.B. Eric Headley, Grand Marshal.

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REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

This change will allow the Lodge to submit new Lodge Officer information online through the Grand View system. It will eliminate the requirement to use a paper document with a Lodge Seal. Additionally, the name of the installing officer will not need to be submitted. The Grand View system authenticates the information entered by the Lodge Secretary through required permissions and a two-factor log-in. This will reduce the work for lodge Secretaries as they will no longer be required to submit the information through Grand View and then again by mailing paper documents.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master; W.B. Howard Haynes, Registration Committee; and W.B. Anthony Blosser, Worshipful Master of Rickreall Lodge No. 110.

COMPANION LEGISLATION: SECTION 221

NOW READS:

Sec. 221. Duties of the Secretary —

1. Bond —

To file with the Master of the Lodge, at the beginning of his term of office, a bond in such sum as the Lodge may direct, and under the terms and conditions as set forth in Sec. 213-6. The cost of such bond shall be paid by the Lodge.

2. Minutes and Approval —

To record all the proceedings of the Lodge proper to be written, which shall include its current receipts and disbursements, and all financial reports, and to submit such minutes to the Lodge at

its next Stated Communication for correction and approval, and to the Master for his signature.

3. Notice of Petitions —

When a Petition or Petitions for the Degrees of Freemasonry have been received by a Lodge, the Secretary of such Lodge shall immediately send the full name, birth date and place, residence and occupation of each Petitioner to the office of the Grand Secretary.

4. Receipt and Transfer of Funds —

(a) To collect and receive all moneys due the Lodge, giving receipt therefor, and to promptly pay such moneys to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor, provided all receipts for annual dues shall be in and on the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge.

(b) In lieu of the physical payment of moneys to the Treasurer, arrangements for the handling and banking of moneys, between the Treasurer and the Secretary may be established by order of the Lodge.

5. Reports to Lodge When Required —

To make to the Lodge as its By-Laws direct, or as may be otherwise required, a report of its work, the condition of its accounts with its officers and members, and of all other matters relating to Lodge finances or business which may be under his care.

6. Masonic Records to Be Kept —

(a) To keep a Lodge register and inscribe therein the name and Masonic record of each member of the Lodge, including the date upon which he passed his examination in the candidates lecture of the Master Mason degree.

(b) To keep a Ledger showing the financial account of each member with the Lodge.

(c) To keep the records, books and papers in accordance with the rules and forms prescribed by the Grand Lodge, and to keep such other books of account as the Lodge may require.

7. Seal and Its Use —

To keep the Seal of the Lodge and to affix the same, with his attestation, to all papers issued under authority of the Lodge or by order of the Master, and in obedience to the requirements of this Code.

8. Custody of By-Laws, Etc. —

To have custody of the By-Laws of the Lodge, the Masonic Code, Manual and Forms of the Grand Lodge and its published Proceedings.

9. Notice of Change in Masonic Standing of Members —

To notify any member of the Lodge who has been dropped from the roll, suspended, expelled, restored or reinstated, immediately after such action by the Lodge.

10. Roster of Officers to Grand Secretary —

To transmit to the Grand Secretary, within five days after the installation, duly certified under the Seal of the Lodge, the name of the installing officer and the names and addresses of the newly installed Elective Officers, and the names of the Appointive Officers with the dates of installation.

11. Monthly and Annual Reports to the Grand Secretary —

To make Monthly and Annual Reports to the Grand Secretary on forms provided by the Grand Secretary according to Sec. 217-12.

12. Transfer of Lodge Property to Successor —

To transfer to his successor in office, all moneys, books, papers and other property in his possession as Secretary and belonging to the Lodge, taking duplicate receipts therefor and filing one with the Trustees of the Lodge.

13. Record of Masonic Codes —

To keep a record of the Masonic Codes issued to the officers of the Lodge and to require their transmission to their successors.

14. Other Duties —

To perform such other duties as pertain to his office, and as the Master or the Lodge may direct, and not inconsistent with this Code.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 221 Duties of the Secretary —

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10. Roster of Officers to Grand Secretary —

To transmit to the Grand Secretary, within five days after the installation, ~~duly certified under the Seal of the Lodge, the name of the installing officer and~~ the names and addresses of the newly installed Elective Officers, and the names of the Appointive Officers with the dates of installation, in and through the computer network prescribed by the Grand Lodge.

11. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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13. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
14. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

This is companion legislation created by the Committee on the Code to accompany the proposed change to Section 213-16. It will prevent a conflict in the Code should the proposed change be approved.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Mark L. Posler, Past Grand Master; M.W.B. Hunt M. Compton, Past Grand Master; and W.B. Mark R. Reed, Senior Grand Deacon.

NOW READS:

Sec. 256. Life Membership —

1. Who May Purchase —

Life memberships may be purchased from a Lodge by:

A Master Mason of such Lodge.

A Lodge for a member thereof.

A donor for the benefit of a living or deceased Master Mason.

2. Lodges Shall Not Donate —

Lodges shall not donate or sell Life Memberships in any other manner than provided in this section, paying the fee provided in the By-Laws of the Lodge.

3. Relief From Dues Only —

A purchaser of a Life Membership is thereby relieved from further payment of annual dues to the Lodge, but shall not be relieved from payment of any assessment lawfully levied by the Lodge or the Grand Lodge.

4. Purchase Price —

The purchase price for Life Membership shall not be less than:

Age 18 to 35, inclusive.....\$150.00

Age 36 to 50, inclusive.....125.00

Age 51 and over.....100.00

Memorial Life Memberships for deceased Master Masons.....100.00

5. Transmittal to Grand Secretary —

All sums collected by the Lodges for Life Memberships shall be immediately transmitted to the Grand Secretary.

6. Grand Secretary Shall Place in Life Membership Fund —

The Grand Secretary shall place all moneys so received in the Life Membership Fund.

7. Grand Secretary Shall Issue Certificate —

The Grand Secretary shall immediately issue to the member paying the required fee a Life Membership Certificate under Seal of the Grand Lodge, signed by the Grand Master and attested by the Grand Secretary, and shall also issue to the Lodge a receipt showing that the money is held in trust for the Lodge.

8. Transfer of Membership to Another Lodge —

Upon the holder of a Life Membership transferring to another Lodge within this Grand Jurisdiction, the Grand Secretary shall, upon notice thereof, transfer, on the books of the Life Membership Fund, the fee received for such Life Membership to the credit of the Lodge to which the Life Member has transferred.

9. Demitting or Withdrawing —

Upon the holder of a Life Membership demitting from this Grand Jurisdiction or taking a Withdrawal Certificate from his Lodge, the fee paid for such Life Membership shall remain to the credit of such Lodge in the Life Membership Fund.

10. Life Members Before June, 1933 —

A Life Membership existing previous to the adoption of the Life Membership Plan of the Grand Lodge (June, 1933) shall remain in status quo and, upon request, the Grand Secretary shall issue a special Life Membership Certificate setting forth the standing of such member. The fee for the issuance of such Certificate shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), which shall be placed in the Life Membership Fund to the credit of the Lodge requesting the Certificate.

11. When Lodges Consolidate —

When two or more Lodges shall consolidate, all money in the Life Membership Fund to the credit of such Lodges shall be transferred to the credit of the consolidated Lodge.

12. When Lodge is Dissolved —

Upon the dissolution of any Lodge, holders of Life memberships, affiliating with another Lodge, shall have such Life Memberships transferred as provided in Subdivision 8 of this section. The remaining fund of such dissolved Lodge shall be added to the principal of the Life Membership Fund on a prorata basis.

13. Life Member Subject to Code —

A holder of a Life Membership is subject to all the Laws, Rules and Regulations as provided in the Masonic Code of the Grand Lodge of Oregon.

14. Loss of Membership —

Loss of membership by suspension or expulsion shall automatically abrogate Life Membership during such suspension or expulsion, but the Lodge shall continue to receive the income from such Life Membership.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 256. Life Membership —

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11. When Lodges Consolidate —

When two or more Lodges shall consolidate, all money in the Life Membership Fund to the credit of such Lodges shall be transferred to the credit of the consolidated Lodge, except in the situation described in Section 256(15).

12. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

13. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

14. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

15. Multiple Life Memberships When Lodges Consolidate —

In an instance when a Master Mason holds life membership in both of two Lodges which choose to consolidate, the holder of the life memberships may choose to transfer the life membership from the Lodge being absorbed to any third Lodge within this Grand Jurisdiction in which he is a

member in good standing. The Grand Secretary shall, upon notice thereof, transfer, on the books of the Life Membership Fund, the fee received for such Life Membership in the Lodge being absorbed to the credit of another Lodge within this Grand Jurisdiction in which the Life Member is a dues paying member.

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

In a situation where lodges shrink in size and members join more than two lodges, members sometimes find that two of the lodges in which they hold life memberships choose to consolidate. It would be to their benefit to have the ability to move their life membership from the lodge being absorbed to a third lodge in which they are already a member. This change would allow that option to occur.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Gregory A. Jenkins, Past Grand Master; W.B. Brian S. Jenkins, District Deputy of the Grand Master for District No. 9; and W.B. Daniel Jenkins, Worshipful Master, Rickreall Lodge No. 110.

VII

NOW READS:

Sec. 265. Charters —

1. Photostatic Copy —

A lodge may, for the better preservation of its original Charter, procure a photostatic copy thereof.

2. Charter Must Be Present —

The Charter of a Lodge, or a photostatic copy thereof, must always be present when the Lodge is open, except when a Lodge is opened for funeral purposes at a place other than its regular meeting place.

3. Replacement of Lost Charter —

Whenever the Charter of a Lodge has been lost, destroyed, stolen or surreptitiously taken and detained, or shall have become so defaced or illegible as to be unfit for use, it shall be the duty of the Lodge to make application to the Grand Lodge or Grand Master for a duplicate Charter. The application shall state in full the cause for making such application, and shall be for a duplicate Charter bearing the original name and number, together with the names of the original Grand Officers and Lodge Officers. Such Charter shall issue without charge.

4. Revocation of Charter, Causes For —

The Grand Lodge may revoke the Charter of a Constituent Lodge:

- (a) For disobedience of the Orders, Rules or Laws of the Grand Lodge.
- (b) For failure to recognize the authority or obey the orders of the Grand Master.
- (c) For a departure from the original plan of Masonry.
- (d) For failure, without sufficient excuse, to meet during a period of six months.
- (e) For failure to be represented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge for two consecutive years.
- (f) For failure to make its Annual Returns and pay its obligations to the Grand Lodge for two consecutive years.
- (g) For a condition of the Lodge as to discipline or otherwise which shall make its further existence deleterious to the honor or usefulness of the Craft.
- (h) For a depreciated condition as to members, finances or interest in the work.

5. Arrest of Charter —

For any of the reasons set forth in the preceding Subdivision of this Section, the Grand Master may arrest the charter of a Constituent Lodge. He shall make a full and complete report of his action to the Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication.

6. Action by Grand Lodge —

Upon being presented to the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master's report on Arrest of Charter or discipline of a Lodge shall be referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. Such Committee shall conduct a thorough investigation, during which any officers or other members of the Lodge whose Charter has been arrested may be heard. Upon submission of the Committee's report, the Grand Lodge may revoke or may return the Charter.

7. Number of Charter Revoked Not Again Used, Except —

When a Charter shall have been revoked by the Grand Lodge, it shall be erased from the Register, and its number shall not be again used, unless the revoked Charter is restored.

8. Grand Lodge May Restore Charter —

- (a) The Grand Lodge may restore a revoked Charter, but the restoration must be made to the identical Lodge in name and number and with the right of membership therein to every member thereof at the date of revocation who is yet unaffiliated.
- (b) Petition for such restoration shall be signed by not less than twelve former members of such Lodge, and shall be presented at an Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 265. Charters —

1. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH
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8. Grand Lodge May Restore Charter —

- (a) NO CHANGE TO THIS SUBDIVISION

(b) Petition for such restoration shall be signed by not less than twelve former members of such Lodge, and shall be presented at an Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, except as provided in Section 265-8 (c).

(c) Petition for such restoration may be signed by a group of twelve or more Master Masons in good standing. If less than twelve are former members of such lodge, the process shall be as required in Sections 258-263, inclusive. All lodge property shall be returned with the Charter upon its approved restoration. The amount of principal credited to the account of the lodge within the Grand Lodge Life Membership Fund at the time of revocation, less those purchases moved to the credit of other lodges afterwards, shall be restored to the credit of the lodge within the Grand Lodge Life Membership Fund, as described in Section 154-3 (b).

(d) The term “lodge property” in Section 265-8 (c) is defined as any effects, books, papers, jewels, membership records, furniture, or moneys previously owned by the lodge which are held by the Grand Lodge.

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

As the By-Laws currently read, the ability to restore a Charter is nearly impossible and highly improbable given the current requirements for 12 former members to be available to restore their Charter. The basis for this proposed amendment to the By-Laws is to assist in addressing member concerns pertaining to a revocation or surrender of the Charter of their Blue Lodge. In our experience, Lodges like Belt Lodge No. 18, Rogue River Lodge No. 226, and others across the state are experiencing adversity due to low attendance and low participation and are on the brink of closure. The proposed change will allow the property and documents of any of these Masonic Lodges to be restored to their fullest, inclusive of member history, past master information, historical events, credit within the Grand Lodge Life Membership Fund, etc. While this amendment does not prevent revocation, it does support the preservation of the history that brought these Lodges to light.

Sponsored by W.B. Geoffrey Butler, Worshipful Master of Rogue River Lodge No. 226; W.B. Scott Smith, Worshipful Master of Belt Lodge No. 18; and W.B. Donald LeFave, Worshipful Master of Grants Pass Lodge No. 84.

VIII

NOW READS:

Sec. 269. Jewels —

1. The Jewels of Officers of Lodges shall be as follows:

Master, the Square.

Senior Warden, the Level.

Junior Warden, the Plumb.

Treasurer, the Crossed Keys.

Secretary, the Crossed Quills.

Chaplain, the Open Bible.

Senior Deacon, the Square and Extended Compasses enclosing a Blazing Sun.

Junior Deacon, the Square and Extended Compasses enclosing a Crescent Moon.

Stewards, the Cornucopia.

Marshal, the Baton.

Tyler, the Sword.

Musician, the Lyre.

Historian, an Open Book with Quill.

2. The Jewels shall be of silver.

3. Past Master's Jewel —

The Jewel of a Past Master shall be a pair of Golden Compasses extended to 60 degrees on a Quadrant, and enclosing a Blazing Sun.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Sec. 269. Jewels —

1. The Jewels of Officers of Lodges shall be as follows:

Master, the Square.

Senior Warden, the Level.

Junior Warden, the Plumb.

Treasurer, the Crossed Keys.

Secretary, the Crossed Quills.

Chaplain, the Open Bible.

Senior Deacon, the Square and Extended Compasses enclosing a Blazing Sun.

Junior Deacon, the Square and Extended Compasses enclosing a Crescent Moon.

Stewards, the Cornucopia.

Marshal, the Baton.

Tyler, the Sword.

Musician, the Lyre.

Historian, ~~an Open Book~~ the Scroll with a Quill.

2. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

3. NO CHANGE TO THIS PARAGRAPH

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

In 2024, Legislation was presented regarding Section 269 – Jewels adding a Historian jewel “an Open Book with Quill”, which was adopted at the 174th Annual Communication in June 2024.

Since this legislation was adopted, many Lodges are in the process of purchasing Lodge Historian jewels and aprons. A difference was found in that vendors and internet searches for purchasing a Historian jewel / apron has provided the standard which is “Scroll with Quill”. The “Open Book with Quill” would have to be special made at a much higher expense.

This legislation clarifies the Lodge Historian Jewel / Emblem is consistent with many jurisdictions and what is readily available for purchase.

Sponsored by M.W.B. Craig A. Sipp, Past Grand Master; W.B. Darrin T. Ward, Junior Warden of Grande Ronde Valley Lodge No. 56; and W.B. Richard C. Southard, Worshipful Master of Cove Lodge No. 91.

RESOLUTIONS

I

Proposed Resolution to Change Ritual

WHEREAS: Historically, Ancient Freemasonry was held “in the highest hills and the lowest vales” – as we are taught in the First Degree. Lodges would have been held in the evening hours, when light was at a premium; after the “part for our usual vocations” – as referenced in the 24-inch gauge portion of the EA Degree working tools presentation, and

WHEREAS: In the dwindling light of the evening, those hours when Lodges would have been held, the lesser lights would have been an essential aid to opening and properly displaying the Great Lights (proper section of the volume of the Sacred Law and displaying the Square and Compasses) for each Degree, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

- (1) the directions in the Ritual which describe the order in which the Great Lights are displayed, and the tapers lit, should be reversed so that the tapers are lit prior to displaying the Great Lights.
- (2) This change is used in the following instructions in the written cipher in all three degrees and the short form opening.

SHORT FORM OPENING

NOW READS:

T w. WM gives three raps, rises with the brethren, keeping hat on. Brethren assume Masonic Position of attention. W a c > I dL N.....**-** o< SW raises column o t __D i ____f. BSD, d t l>. SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair. W.M.- BJD, i t T. JD goes to door and gives three raps. T responds with three raps. JD opens door

PROPOSED TO READ:

T w. WM gives three raps, rises with the brethren, keeping hat on. Brethren assume Masonic Position of attention. W a c > I dL N.....**-** o< SW raises column o t __D i ____f. BSD, d t l>. SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers and displays great lights. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair. W.M.- BJD, i t T. JD goes to door and gives three raps. T responds with three raps. JD opens door

ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

NOW READS:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N.....**-** o< SW raises column o t EAD i f. WM replaces hat. BSD, d t l>. SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair

PROPOSED TO READ:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N..... **-* o < **SW raises column** o t EAD i f. **WM replaces hat.** BSD, d t l>. **SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers and displays great lights. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair.**

FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE

NOW READS:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N..... **-* o < **SW raises column** o t FCD i d f. **WM replaces hat.** BSD, d t l>. **SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair**

PROPOSED TO READ:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N..... **-* o < **SW raises column** o t FCD i d f. **WM replaces hat.** BSD, d t l>. **SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers and displays great lights. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair.**

MASTER MASON DEGREE

NOW READS:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N..... **-* o < **SW raises column** o t MM' D i d - a f. **WM replaces hat.** BSD, d t l>. **SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair**

PROPOSED TO READ:

W.M.- I t n o G - t HS>J' I dL N..... **-* o < **SW raises column** o t MM' D I d - a f. **WM replaces hat.** BSD, d t l>. **SD goes to altar, displays great lights and lights tapers and displays great lights. When candles or individually controlled lights are used, they must be lighted East, West and South, and extinguished in reverse order. Salutes WM and returns to his place standing before his chair.**

Sponsored by W.B. Robert E. Merrill-Colberg, Worshipful Master of Bandon Lodge No. 130; W.B. Cary Pugh, Information and Education Committee member; W.B. George Seely, Worshipful Master of Myrtle Lodge No. 78, and R.W.B. Micheal D. Sullivan, District Deputy of the Grand Master for District No. 13.

II

Resolution to Confer Honorary Membership

WHEREAS During this, its One Hundred and Seventy-Sixth Annual Communication, The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon is honored by the presence of many distinguished visitors from other Grand Lodge jurisdictions, and it is appropriate that they be accorded distinct recognition,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That during the course of this communication, the distinguished visitors from other Grand Lodge jurisdictions shall have honorary membership in this Grand Lodge.

Sponsored by W.B. Richard S. Nowacki, Resolutions Committee Chairman; W.B. William T. "Billy" Burns, Resolutions Committee member; W.B. Ted Crocker III, Resolutions Committee member; W.B. Brian K. Kaufman, Resolutions Committee member; and W.B. Richard C. Southard, Resolutions Committee member.