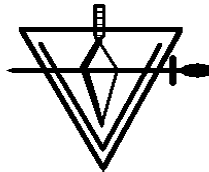


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**PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS  
AND  
RECOMENDATIONS  
TO BE CONSIDERED  
AT OUR  
ANNUAL GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION  
AND  
ANNUAL GRAND COUNCIL ASSEMBLY  
TO BE HELD  
OCTOBER 17-18, 2016**

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**PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT OUR  
GRAND CONVOCAION HELD OCTOBER 17-18, 2016**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1**

*Referred to the Committee on \*Purposes & Policies, Jurisprudence*

WHEREAS, The Kilgore Masonic Lodge, Library and Museum increased the fees to use the lodge.

and WHEREAS, The Kilgore Chapter No. 449, Royal Arch Masons, could not afford the increase in fees to use the lodge.

and WHEREAS, The Chapter had to find a new home. The Rocky Mount Lodge No. 63, in Overton, Texas, allowed the Kilgore Chapter to move into their lodge at a cost the Chapter could afford,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED: That Kilgore Chapter No. 449, Royal Arch Masons hereby be known as East Texas Chapter No. 449, Royal Arch Masons

Respectfully submitted,

J.B. Morris, Past High Priest, Kilgore Chapter No. 449, R.A.M.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2**

*Referred to Committee on \*Purposes & Policies, Jurisprudence*

Resolution to change the date of Annual Convocation

WHEREAS, Grand Chapter has had conflicts with scheduling concerning Baylor University Football and the dates of booking and pricing hotel rooms for the Annual Convocation,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Section B, the Grand Chapter Code of Laws, Article B-002 (2) Annual Convocations be amended as follows:

Art. B-002 (2) Annual Convocations. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas shall hold an Annual Convocation on the First (1st) Friday in August each year at such time and place as shall be determined by a majority vote of Chapters and Members present at the preceding Annual Convocation, and shall remain in session until the business presented for consideration is disposed of. (Amended 2016)

Submitted by,

E. E Buster Williams, Past High Priest, Llano Chapter No. 197

**RESOLUTION NO. 3**

*Referred to Committee on \*Finance, Jurisprudence*

WHEREAS, many chapters have failed to keep up with the times.

and WHEREAS, the per capita, as well as other fees and expenses have increased.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that Article C-108 be amended to increase the minimum dues which are now \$20.00 dollars to be \$30.00.

Respectfully submitted,

James Roy Elliott, P.H.P., Midlothian Chapter 211, R.A.M.

**GRAND HIGH PRIEST RECOMMENDATION NO. 1 (TABLED 2015)**

*Referred to the Committee on \*Purposes and Policies, Jurisprudence*

To The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas:

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas reads as follows:

“Section 1- Annual Convocations of this Grand Chapter shall be held, and Special Convocations may be convened as provided in its Laws.”

WHEREAS, Article B-002 (2) of the Laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas reads as follows:

Article B-002 (2). Annual Convocation. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas shall hold an Annual Convocation on the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Monday in October each year at such time and place as shall be determined by a majority vote of Chapters and Members present at the preceding Annual Convocation, and shall remain in session until the business presented for consideration is disposed of. (Amended 2005)

And,

WHEREAS, the present requirement of the Laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas to meet in October is restrictive in many respects of availability and reasonable cost of accommodations for those who attend the Annual Convocation. And,

WHEREAS, attendance at the Annual Convocation may be improved if its meeting dates did not interfere with the children's and/or grandchildren's school activities of its members. And,

WHEREAS, employers more or less recognize the summer months as traditional vacation months and might possibly accommodate many Companions who otherwise cannot attend and support the business sessions of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter because of work.

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Article B-002 (2) of the Laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas be amended to read as follows:

Article B-002 (2). Annual Convocation. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas shall hold an Annual Convocation on the ~~[Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Monday in October]~~ Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Friday in June of each year at such time and place as shall be determined by a majority vote of Chapters and Members present at the preceding Annual Convocation and shall remain in session until the business presented for consideration is disposed of.

(Article B-002 (2) as proposed to be amended would read as follows:)

Article B-002 (2) Annual Convocation. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas shall hold an Annual Convocation on the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Friday in June of each year at such time and place as shall be determined by a majority vote of Chapters and Members present at the preceding Annual Convocation and shall remain in session until the business presented for consideration is disposed of.

Be it further resolved that the provisions of revised Article B-002 (2) as amended above shall become effective upon close of the Annual Convocation held in Waco on October 19 & 20, 2015. The officers elected, appointed and installed at that Annual Convocation shall serve until their successors are elected, appointed and installed at the Annual Convocation to be held in accordance with the provisions of the proposed Article B002 (2) at the 2016 Annual Convocation.

The following is listed as informational only if the above amendment is passed and is furnished as a guideline for comparison and is not part of the above amendment:

2015 Schedule

Thurs., Oct. 15	1 <sup>st</sup> day of School of Instruction
Fri., Oct. 16	2 <sup>nd</sup> day of School of Instruction
Sat., Oct. 17	Final day of School and Ritual Comp
Sun., Oct. 18	AM Meetings, PM Memorials, Banquet
*Mon., Oct. 19	1 <sup>st</sup> day Annual Convocation
*Tues., Oct. 20	2 <sup>nd</sup> day Annual Convocation & installation

2016 Schedule

Mon., June 13, 2016
Tues., June 14, 2016
Wed., June 15, 2016
Thurs., June 16, 2016
Fri., June 17, 2016
Sat., June 18, 2016

\* The proposed amendment is for the Annual Convocation only.

Fraternally submitted,  
Charles S. Wolfe, Grand High Priest 2015

**PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT OUR  
GRAND ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD OCTOBER 17-18, 2016**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1**

*Referred to the Committees on Purposes & Policies*

WHEREAS, The Kilgore Masonic Lodge, Library and Museum increased the fees to use the lodge.

and WHEREAS, The Kilgore Council No. 336, Royal and Select Masters, could not afford the increase in fees to use the lodge.

and WHEREAS, The Council had to find a new home. The Rocky Mount Lodge No. 63, in Overton, Texas, allowed the Kilgore Council to move into their lodge at a cost the Council could afford,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED: That Kilgore Council No. 366, Royal and Select Masters hereby be known as East Texas Council No. 366, Royal and Select Masters.

Respectfully submitted,  
J.B. Morris, Past Thrice Illustrious Master  
Kilgore Council No. 366, R.&S.M.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2**

*Referred to Committee on Finance*

WHEREAS, many councils have failed to keep up with the times.

and WHEREAS, the per capita, as well as other fees and expenses have increased.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that Article C-144 be amended to increase the minimum dues which are now \$16.00 dollars to be \$30.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Roy Elliott, P.H.P., Midlothian Chapter 211, R.A.M.

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



**DAVID M. BASKIN**

George Washington Chapter No. 422, R.A.M.  
Exalted – July 7, 1989  
High Priest – 2011

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas  
Order of High Priesthood – 2012  
District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 13 –2013  
2 Year Esoteric Certificate Holder – 2015  
Grand High Priest Conference Program – 2013  
Grand Chapter Convocation Tellers Committee – 2014

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



**HOBIE D. HENDERSON**

Southside-Polytechnic Chapter No. 378, R.A.M.

Exalted – June 16, 2007

High Priest – 2008, 2009

Cornerstone Award Recipient – 2012

Springtown Chapter No. 78, R.A.M.

Affiliated Plural – March 14, 2012

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Order of High Priesthood – 2009, Master of Ceremonies – 2016

District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 18 –2015

Tarrant County York Rite Assn. Secretary – 2008-2015

Tarrant County York Rite Assn. President – 2016



**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



**S. LANE PIERCE**

Haggai Chapter No. 53, R.A.M.

Exalted – August 14, 1999

High Priest – 2011

Endowed Member – August 16, 2011

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Member, Credentials Committee – 2010

Order of High Priesthood – 2011

E: Grand Orator – 2012

Member, Grievances and Appeals Committee – 2013

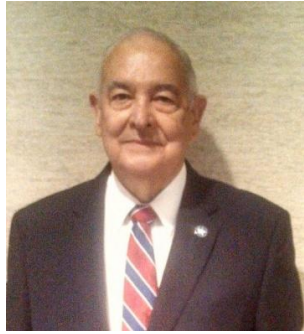
Grand Representative to Nevada – 2013 to present

Member, Fraternal Correspondence Committee – 2014 to present

York Rite Conference Leadership Training Instructor – 2015

District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 25 –2016

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



**NICK R. RAMOS**

Sawassett Chapter No. 195, R.A.M., New York  
Exalted – November 19, 1980

Lebanon Chapter No. 25, R.A.M., Tennessee  
Transfer from New York – December 19, 1986  
High Priest – 1989  
Secretary – 1991-2002  
Life Member – September 19, 2005

Seguin Chapter No. 344, R.A.M., Texas  
Dual Membership – March 28, 2005  
Endowed Membership – August 12, 2005  
High Priest – 2009-2010

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Tennessee  
Grand Chapter Finance Committee – 1993-1997  
Order of High Priesthood – March 20, 1989  
District Deputy Grand High Priest – 1996

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas  
District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 21 –2014

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL  
CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK**



**MELVIN THOMAS HAGOOD**

Texas Council No. 321, R.&S.M.

Greeted – June 5, 1987

Thrice Illustrious Master – 1991-1992

Recorder – 1992-2010

Endowed Member – April 30, 2015

Cryptic Triangle Award – May 5, 2005

Tarrant Council No. 349, R.&S.M.

Plural Affiliation – April 9, 2015

Endowed Member – October 12, 2015

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas

Super Excellent Master Degree – 1991

Order of the Silver Trowel – 1991

District Deputy Grand Master, District 27 – 2000

Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council – 2002

Esoteric Life Certificate – 2014

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL  
CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK**



**JAMES DALE KIRKPATRICK**

Arlington Council No. 314, R.&S.M.

Greeted – February 17, 2001

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2008

Tarrant County York Rite Association President – 2010

Tarrant Co. York Rite Assn Esoteric Grading Coordinator – 2009 – 2015

Super Excellent Master's Degree – 2003

Endowed Member - 2015

Fort Worth Council No. 42, R.&S.M.

Affiliated Plural – 2014

Endowed Member – 2014

Tarrant Council No. 349, R.&S.M.

Affiliated Plural – 2013

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas

District Deputy Grand Master, District 27 – 2012

Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guards – 2015

Illustrious Grand Marshal – 2016

Internet Committee – 2004 – Present, Chairman 2005-2011

Esoteric 3-Year Proficiency Certificate

President of the Texas York Rite Esoteric Association – 2009

Member York Rite Development Board – 2013-2016, President 2014

Order of the Silver Trowel – 2008; Chaplain 2015, Jr. Warden 2016

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL  
CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK**



**CLARENCE RAY McKOWN**

Ridglea Council No. 400, R. & S. M.

Greeted – April 3, 1998

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2003

Endowed Member – September 13, 2003

Cryptic Triangle Award – 2007

Weatherford Council No. 64, R. & S. M.

Affiliated Plural – June 17, 2000

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2006

Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Texas

Super Excellent Masters Degree – 2000

Order of the Silver Trowel – 2003

District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 28 – 2007

Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guards – 2011

Grand Representative to North Dakota – 2011 to present

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY FOR  
TEXAS MASONIC RETIREMENT CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



**H. DAVID MOORE**

Haggai Chapter No. 53, RAM

Exalted – May 14, 1988

Excellent High Priest – 1994, 1999

Cornerstone Award Recipient 2002

Endowed Member – July 5, 2005

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Order of the High Priesthood – 1994

District Deputy Grand High Priest Capitular Dist. 26 – 2000

Golden Keystone Award – 2003

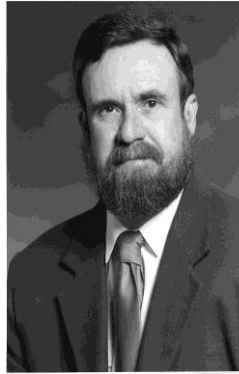
Memorials Committee – 2003, 2004, 2015, 2016

Grand Representative to British Columbia & Yukon – 2003 to present

New Chapters Committee – 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Grievances & Appeals Committee – 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY  
FOR  
TEXAS MASONIC RETIREMENT CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



**CHARLES STEVEN WOLFE**

Texas Chapter No. 362, R.A.M.

Exalted – July 12, 1989

Endowed Member since 1990

Scribe – 1990, 1993

King – 1991

High Priest – 1992

Treasurer – 1995 – present

Cornerstone Award – 2001

Alvord Chapter No. 193, R.A.M.

Affiliated Plural – 1997 until merger with Dad Pender Ch. 80 – 2015

Dad Pender Chapter No. 80, R.A.M.

Affiliated Plural – 2015 – present

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Esoteric Certificate Holder since 1990

Order of High Priesthood – 1992

E. Grand Royal Arch Captain – 1999

Grand Representative to Gr. Chapter Queensland, Australia 2000 – 2015

Grand Representative to Grand Chapter of Kansas 2015 – present

Texas Masonic Retirement Center, Board of Directors 2007 - 2011

Served 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 as Vice-President

Grand Scribe – 2011-2012

Grand King – 2012-2013

Deputy Grand High Priest – 2013-2014

Grand High Priest – 2014-2015