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Subject: 2022 Summer Exaltation Class

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Greetings Companions! I greet you in the name of the Great I Am from whom we all have our life and being! I pray all is well with you and your families at this time! As we, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons Jurisdiction of North Carolina Prince Hall Affiliated, Incorporated look to capitalize on the success of our spring Exaltation, where we exalted 46 new Companions into our Holy Order, we, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons Jurisdiction of North Carolina Prince Hall Affiliated Incorporated are planning to have another Exaltation to be completed on Saturday, August 6, 2022.

This Proclamation is to outline the process for the Summer Exaltation Class to include dates for the application period, the process to follow for the upcoming class, the calendar outlining the schedule for the upcoming class, all fees and when they are due, and the post exaltation requirements for each Constituent Chapter to follow. Please see the details as outlined below.

Application Period

The Application Period is from 1 May 2022 through 30 June 2022.

All Applications must be investigated and balloted upon by 30 June 2022.

All names and email addresses are to be submitted to the Grand Lecturers Department by 3 July 2022 via the Grand Lecturers email address:
nchram.lecturer@gmail.com

If any brother was left behind in the last class, he is welcomed to rejoin the process with this class, barring no objection from the Constituent Chapter or the Grand Lecturers Department. The Brother will pick up where he left off and continue with the process.

Process for Upcoming Class

The application fee of \$40 which is due to the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's Office along with **copy** of the application to the Most Excellent Grand Secretary upon favorable vote from the Constituent Chapter no later than 30 June 2022. This will allow the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's Office to purchase the Rituals from the General Grand Conference and also to ensure the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's Office has the correct spelling of the names for the Patents once the new Companions are exalted.

Constituent Chapters, please make all checks payable to: **MEGCHRAMNC**
In the *For Line* please write: **Application Fees**

You need to have the candidates do and pay for their own National Background Check (NBC). This is not included in the \$40 application fee that comes to the Most Excellent Grand Chapter. A **copy** of the NBC is turned along with a **copy** of the Membership Application along with the \$40 Application Fee. They can utilize Sentrylink at www.sentrylink.com.

Once they are balloted upon, the Constituent Chapter should go ahead and order the candidates regalia to include the following:

- HRAM Apron (Duck Cloth or Leather)
- Prayer Cap with the Red Triple Tau with White Background (Soft or Hard)
- White Gloves (Plain or HRAM)
- Penny

This will ensure if the candidate does complete the process, he will have all the necessary regalia needed for the exaltation. If not, the Constituent Chapter will have extra regalia on hand for future Companions. Packages can be purchased with your vendor of choice. However, the MEGCHRAMNC PHA Inc., has the following vendors who we use. They are:

Teddy Bear Enterprises, LLC
Email: tbear.designz@gmail.com
PayPal: tbear.designz@gmail.com
CashApp: \$TBearDesignz
Mailing Address: PO Box 1062
Mebane, NC 27302

George Lauterer Masonic Supply Company
Website: www.lauterer.com
Phone Number: 312-913-1881

Both Vendors have all items needed for your future Companions via al a carte or in a package deal.

Completions of Each Degree

The first three (3) degrees of the Holy Royal Arch, (4th Degree – Mark Master Mason, 5th Degree – Past Master (Virtual), and 6th Degree – Most Excellent Master Mason) will be completed on our virtual platform (Zoom) under the direction of the Grand Lecturers Department. Attendance at the Virtual Degree work, any classes, and Proficiency is mandatory for all brothers in order for them to advance to the next degree. The incoming Brother must have a valid email address and internet access in order to participate with the virtual degree work.

Upon the completion of each degree and prior to the Proficiency for each degree, the ***District Deputy Grand High Priest and the Assistant Grand Lecturer for that particular District*** will ensure that the brothers that are going through the process are in possession of the step, due guard, signs, grips, and words pertaining to whichever degree they are studying at the time. Again, ***ONLY the District Deputy Grand High Priest and the Assistant Grand Lecturer for that particular District will give that instruction!!!***

Upon the completion of the 4th Degree, each newly made Mark Master Mason should make their mark in the Constituent Chapter Book of Marks. ***The District Deputy Grand High Priest and the Assistant Grand Lecturer for that particular District will get with the Excellent High Priest of that Constituent Chapter to ensure this happens prior to them moving to the next degree!***

Exaltation

The Exaltation will take place ***in person*** on 6 August 2022 prior to the Mid – Year Meeting.

Upon the completion of the Exaltation, the newly exalted Companions can have their mark engraved onto their penny.

Calendar for Degree Work

All dates are listed below. Please have the brothers seeking to become Companions to take due notice thereof govern themselves accordingly.

Virtual 4th Degree - 8 July or 9 July 2022

4th Degree Proficiency - 16 July or 17 July 2022

Virtual 5th & 6th Degree - 22 or 23 July 2022

5th & 6th Degree Proficiency - 29 July or 30 July

In Person 7th Degree Exaltation

6 August 2022 prior to the Mid – Year Meeting

Time & Place TBA

All other information will come directly from the Grand Lecturers Department and the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's Office.

Post Exaltation Requirements

Upon the completion of the Exaltation, each Constituent Chapter should submit their Supplementary Report with **two (2)** separate checks; 1 check for taxes and 1 check for Benevolence. The total for each check should be the number of companions exalted x \$10.

Example - 9 Companions were exalted for X Chapter 123. X Chapter 123 sends the following **two (2)** separate checks to the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's Office via the Grand Chapter P.O. Box along with the completed Supplemental Report.

Check #1 - \$90.00 for Taxes (9 Companions x \$10 each = \$90)
Check # 2 - \$90 for Benevolence (9 Companions x \$10 each = \$90)

Constituent Chapters, please make all checks payable to:
MEGCHRAMNC

In the For Line please write:
Grand Chapter Taxes for the Tax Check and
Benevolence for the Benevolence Check

To reiterate, please ensure that the Names of the newly exalted companions are spelled correctly for their patents and their dues cards. Once the Right Excellent Grand Secretary's **Office receives and processes the Supplemental Reports and Payments, dues cards will be made and sent to the Constituent Chapters.**

This Proclamation is to be read at all Constituent, District, and Regional meetings that take place during the months of May and June!

We are looking forward to another successful Jurisdictional Exaltation as we commemorate those newly exalted Companions as they complete their Holy Royal Arch journey and continue their search for further Light in Masonry! As always, take care and be blessed!

Holiness to the Lord! Holiness to the Lord!! Holiness to the Lord!!!

Given this 3rd Day of May in the Year of Our Lord 2022

Yours in Humble Service,

Maurice D. Hamilton

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Attested By:

Clinton L. Hamm

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