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To: The Officers and Members of the Prince Hall Jurisdictions of Florida

Re: Edict No. 1 From the Desk from the Grand Master

Brethren,

This is a day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it ~Psalm 18:24

I pray that this communication finds you all in the spirit and reaping the blessings of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ.

Please give your strict attention to the following administrative items:

## **KOP Mandate**

All districts are expected to have an active KOP Council by July 15, 2015. The DDGM is accountable for seeing to the execution and forming of the council. Additionally, all district or local KOP director(s) for each council are mandated to register and attend the Annual July Workshop in Jacksonville, Florida July 17-18, 2015. Govern yourselves accordingly.

## **Membership Reclaiming Dispensation**

Until June 1, 2015, the fee to reinstate into the order is **\$75.00**. The Lodge may not charge any additional fees. There will be no blue lodge special provided to the reinstating member. Regular membership dues will be required to be paid during the November/December annual return period. Any member who was off the square prior to July 2014 and wishes to take advantage of this special dispensation, must submit an additional \$20 for a background check along with a completed background check form with the reinstatement application. Additionally, all restatement apps must be accompanied by a signed No Hazing form. This dispensation is effective immediately.

## **Masonic Raisings**

Effective immediately, all existing masonic classes or classes planned in the immediate future must be raised on or before June 30, 2015. The 120 day rule is temporarily suspended to allow the lodges to meet this deadline. However, there will be no more degree work allowed in the jurisdiction until after the annual return period in 2015. The District Deputy is expected to enforce this edict. Worshipful Masters are expected to use this down time to train and fellowship with their new members. Govern yourselves accordingly.

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## One (1) Year Moratorium on Masonic Advancement

During my tenure, there will be a mandated moratorium on advancement in the order for all newly made Master Masons. This includes any Master Mason currently on our active roles who has less than one year in the order. No mason with less than one year in the order may advance to any other house in masonry until such time that he has completed a year of masonic service. The DDGM is expected to police this edict to insure 100% compliance.

Brethren, as we move into a new era of leadership, we do so knowing that the Jurisdiction of Florida is second to none in its fervency and zeal for the order. We are THE Cutting edge jurisdiction among the whole of Prince Hall Masonry. Let us faithfully follow God's plan, resting assured that the Jurisdiction of Florida is moving forward with purpose.

God Bless you all and God Save the Craft,

Fraternally yours,

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