JOHN H. DEVEAUX GRAND COMMANDERY

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Proclamation 24-01

Fraternal Greetings Sir Knights,

TO: All Grand Commandery Officers, Past Most Eminent Grand Commanders, District Deputy Grand Eminent Commanders, Eminent Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of ALL Commanderies holding allegiance to John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery, Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Masons Jurisdiction of Georgia, Prince Hall Affiliation.

Salutations

First of all, thank you John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Jurisdiction Of Georgia for allowing me another opportunity to S E R V E you. We are Sir Knights!!! We aim to S E R V E and when we S E R V E our W O R K S speak volumes.

I personally want to thank each of you, Sir Knights, for your membership and say thank you to those of you who have been selected for leadership to serve by your fellow Sir Knights. You don't have to pay to be called to lead but the reward to S E R V E is priceless, and your W O R K S speak volumes.

Congratulations Grand Commandery Officers, Administrative Staff, DDGECs, and Committee Chairs on your re-election and re-appointment to S E R V E JHD Grand Commandery in A L L of its Laudable undertakings. And with God's blessings and each of you willing to put forth your will and efforts, we will accomplish even more in 2024. I pray that each of you had an awesome, enjoyable and informative Grand Conclave. Each one of us has accepted this mantle to S E R V E with the intent to S E R V E well. So, let us do this and practice being our "Brother's Keeper". And STOP, supplanting a Brother in his laudable (if its laudable) undertakings for the growth and betterment for the Order, and not self. Remember, it's always right to do right.

Now that The Grand Conclave is behind us and has now been added to our history book, let us get back to duty in doing the work as a Sir Knight by S E R V I N G JHD Grand Commandery in rendering Charity and Benevolence across this great Jurisdiction,

Exercising our Citizenry Right, "THE RIGHT TO VOTE", and being that example of THE ONE who hung on that CROSS, bleed and suffered for our transgressions and yet ROSE from that borrowed grave rendering us "HOPE and SALVATION" with the charge to 'LOVE YE ONE ANOTHER." Let's do right!! Let's get it right!! We are Sir Knights!!!

We are continuing to build and make better our infrastructure and operations. That being said: JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM for all of your questions, needs, requests, reporting, and ordering. JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM

In observation to this past Grand Conclave, our fiscal officers Right Eminent Grand Recorder and Right Eminent Grand Treasurer will ensure that all required documents and reports WILL be uploaded for each of you to download (THIS IS THEIR NOTICE) prior to 2024's Grand Conclave: @JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM. It was overlooked during 2023's Grand Conclave due to expediency of time but we will perform our required "COMMUNION"(A Fellowship of Brotherly Love) and (Remembrance to the GOD we S E R V E) at 2024's Grand Conclave prepared, led and officiated by our Right Eminent Grand Prelate, Sir Knight Antonio White. Also, Sir Knights please continue to update our Grand Prelate with your Health and Wellness, and Well Being, Sickness and Distress, and Bereavements so we can acknowledge to the membership and family if needed.

Remember, we're Prince Hall Templar Knights of John H DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Jurisdiction of Georgia. Also, we're Freemasons BUT as a Sir Knight, we give NO weight, NO attention, NO affirmation, NO acceptance, NO negotiations, NO surrendering to the word "IMPOSSIBLE" And as a Sir Knight, we strongly practice those Masonic Principles - "5PTS. OF FELLOWSHIP."

Let's make this year even better with membership growth, more outreach within those communities we represent and S E R V E, and in supporting those fund raisers, vision, and goals of John H DeVeaux Grand Commandery. Together we can accomplish much but divided and individually we're just and island.

Congratulations to our NEWLY inductees and recipients of the Honorary PEGC's Title. Your S E R V I C E to Freemasonry and this Order of Knights Templar didn't go unnoticed. So we thank you and applaud you for all that you've shared, done and will continue to do for the growth and betterment of our Order. This "TITLE" is a "TITLE" of Honor, so continue to let your W O R K S inspire, impress and be the example for other MASTER MASONS to choose to EMULATE.

UPCOMING EVENTS

John H DeVeaux Grand Commandery is planning our December annual Church visitation and jointly with The Illustrious H R Butler Grand Council Royal and Select Masters' Toy Giveaway. Stay tuned for further details and please schedule your calendars accordingly to support these two events. YOU WOULD NOT WANT TO MISS THIS YEAR'S EVENTS!!!! A SURPRISE!!!! AND EVENTFULL WEEKEND!!!!!

Sir Knights we are approaching that time again in the year where elections are held in the month of December, and whereas you will be selecting and electing new leaderships by which your Commandery will be governed. It will become the responsibility of those of you who will be present to help make those decisions.

As you will ponder who shall fill those stations, I encourage you to carefully give thought to your selections; reflect on those Sir Knights who have been visibly supportive and working diligently for the growth and betterment in the Order.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH IS ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!!!!!!!

Remembering friendships, returning favors, "TESTING THE WATERS", or even attempting to gain favor are all impactful persuasions that far too often determine the future of this GREAT KNIGHTHOOD.

"ALL ELECTIONS SHOULD BE LOOKED UPON AS BEING SERIOUS BECAUSE THEY ARE SERIOUS"

Let's get it right!!!! Let's do right!!! We are Sir Knights!!!!!

DDGECs, it becomes your duty to hold these elections and to see that they are properly conducted. Also to ensure that ALL newly elected ECs receive their PEC Degree by JANUARY 1, 2024. So start preparing and planning your course of actions NOW to ensure this DEGREE WORK is successful. "NO EXCEPTIONS"!!!!!!!!

Election reports are due to : JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM within 10 DAYS of your elections or by JANUARY 1,2024. As well as send ALL newly elected ECs who have

received the PEC DEGREE to: JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM so we can prepare and present their certificates at 2024's Leadership Conference Workshop.

Remember when you are creating and dubbing the TITLE Sir Knight on a new member, please ADHERE to our "NEW MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE FORM" WITH ALL REQUIRED FEES!!!!! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!!

We're trying to make progress with this GREAT ORDER. And DDGECs please ensure you are now using your DDGEC's report form to document each of your meetings and send to : JHDPHA@GMAIL.COM for review and archival purposes. Your reports will allow us to assist you in the growth, betterment and development of Sir Knights within our Jurisdiction.

OFFICIAL UNIFORM

Sir Knights please continue to build upon and owning an OFFICIAL UNIFORM DRESS for John H DeVeaux Grand Commandery

We are now looking for requests for hosting 2024's Leadership Conference Workshop. Also please ensure adequate spacing is provided for our Cyrenes to host their annual workshop. In 2024 we're moving to jointly host our Annual Leadership Conference Workshops.

Last Year's Conference Workshop was a success and we're looking for and even greater success and participation at 2024's Leadership Conference Workshop. Please come prepared and ready to learn some Templarism and enjoy some good fellowshipping with Sir Knights across the Jurisdiction.

Lastly, other than GOD, we are all that we have therefore it behooves each one of us to help bring out the very best in each other.

ATTENTION!!!!! This proclamation and ALL proclamations are to be read at 3 consecutive conclaves and deposited in your commandery's archives for present and future references. Please ensure going forward that this is done.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP/EXEMPTIONS

By Virtue of this instrument and my signature below, I create and bestow "LIFE MEMBERSHIP" upon ALL Actual MEGCs (Past, Present and Future) Who have Faithfully and Honorably served John H DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnanimous Order Of Knights Templar Jurisdiction of Georgia. This Status does not prohibit in anyway financial support and contributions to this Grand Commandery but applauds and rewards Actual Serving MEGCs for their Leadership and service to our Knighthood. They are hereby exempted from all dues and assessments to this GRAND COMMANDERY beginning January 1, 2024 and granted FREE registrations to ALL Leadership Conference Workshops and Grand Conclaves. Again I along with the Membership applaud and thank you for your leadership and service knowing that each of you will continue to be the PILLAR and support your local Commandery and this Grand Commandery.

Sir Knights, I do apologize for the lengthy Proclamation but much needed information. Thank you for your attention during its reading.

Under The Steel Dome,

C. E. Alexander, KYCH Most Eminent Grand Commander John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar, PHA Jurisdiction of Georgia

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