



Most Illustrious Grand Council of

Cryptic Masons of California

RESOLUTION 2021 -01

(*TABLED DUE TO COVID: RESOLUTION 2020 – 02)

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend the Subordinate Council Uniform By-Laws to allow a Subordinate Council the option of setting dues as a surcharge above the annual Grand Council per capita, fees, and assessments.

Whereas, the current Uniform By-Laws only allow member dues to be a fixed dollar amount per annum, to wit, “The dues of each member of this Council shall be _____ dollars per annum, payable annually in advance, on the first day of January, and no member shall be eligible to any office or permitted to vote at any election while twelve months in arrears for dues.”

Whereas, the per capita, fees, and assessments collected by the Grand Council pursuant to the Annual Return has the potential to increase annually, and

Whereas, frequent dues adjustments by the Subordinate Councils for Grand Council per capita, fees, and assessment increases are necessary to cover annual expenses and prevent the erosion of the financial reserves of the Subordinate Councils; and

Whereas, frequent By-Law amendments to increase dues to recover per capita, fees and assessment increases are an undue burden on the Councils and the Grand Council’s Grand Office;

Now, Therefore be it resolved, that Article VI, Section 2 of the Council By-Laws be amended to state:

Option One: The dues of each member of this Council shall be ____ dollars per annum, payable annually in advance, on the first day of January, and no member shall be eligible to any office or permitted to vote at any election while twelve months in arrears for dues.

Option Two: The dues of each member of this Council shall be the combined sum of ____ dollars per annum toward the expenses and investments of this Council, plus any per capita, fees, and assessments approved by Grand Council in the immediately preceding year, due and payable annually in advance, on the first day of January.

(Note: Adopt option one or two by filling in a dollar amount, and striking out the other option.)

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