



Grand Master Lyle G. Phillips



2002 Grand Lodge Officers

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When & How Freemasonry Began In The Sandwich Islands

During the days of the Hawaiian Monarchy, Hawaii was known as the Sandwich Islands. This was the name Captain James Cook, the first Westerner to discover the Islands named them. Some accounts about Freemasonry in Hawaii have recorded that Captain James Cook the renowned British explorer and navigator, and the first Westerner to discover the Hawaiian Islands, which he did on June 18, 1778, was the first Freemason to set foot on Hawaiian soil. In spite of this often repeated story about Cook being a member of the Craft, this has never been confirmed by the United Grand Lodge of England (UGL) who traced their records back through the 18th century. The UGL has no evidence that Captain James Cook was ever a Freemason.

Freemasonry came to the Sandwich Islands as Hawaii was known in the days of the Hawaiian Monarch during the reign of Kamehameha III (Kauikeaouli). At the time the Island Kingdom was occupied by British Forces under the command of Lord George Paulet of HMS "Carysfort". Lord Paulet made several unreasonable demands of Kamehameha III, many of which were not honored. The Hawaiian flag was replaced by the Union Jack which flew over the Islands from February 25, 1843, until July 31, 1843.

It was during this uneasy period of occupation by Lord Paulet that Freemasonry was formally established in Hawaii. Although Freemasonry usually followed the flag in the days of the British Empire, this was not the case in Hawaii. During the British occupation, Joseph-Marie Le Tellier, Captain of the French whaler 'Ajax' formally established Lodge le Progres de l'Oceanie, under the auspices of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of the Supreme Council of France. Contrary to some accounts, the Lodge was not founded aboard Le Tellier's barque the 'Ajax'. On April 8, 1843, Captain Le Tellier constituted Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie in the stores of Jules Dudoit, who was the French Consul at the time. Dudoit hailed from Port-Louis, Mauritius.

In 1778 the English explorer Captain James Cook dropped anchor off Waikiki beach and named the land the Sandwich Islands in honor of John Montague, the Earl of Sandwich. The original and present name Hawaii is derived from the traditional first home of the early Polynesians, Hawaii.

On July 26, Rear Admiral Richard Darton Thomas arrived from Valparaiso, Chile in his flagship HMS 'Dublin'. After reviewing the situation with Kamehameha III, he sent Paulet packing. On July 31st, in a formal ceremony, the Hawaiian flag again flew over Island Kingdom and the monarchy was restored, at what is now known as 'Thomas Square' in Honolulu.

Later in the day, a thanksgiving service was held in Kawaiahao Church, and Kamehameha III proclaimed: 'Ua mau o ka aina i ka pono', (The life of the land is preserved by righteousness). This guiding precept has followed the history of the Islands and is the motto of the State of Hawaii.

Some of the early members of Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie who were prominent in the affairs of Hawaii were Stephen Reynolds, Robert G. Davis (a Justice of the Supreme Court and the first part Hawaiian to become a Freemason). John & William Paty, Jules Dudoit, and John Meek. Oddly enough, Le Tellier never became member of the Lodge. In Later years, Alexander

Lioliho (Kamehameha IV), Henry Augustus Pierce (HAP) Carter, (served at the Hawaii Minister in Washington, D.C.), King David Kalakaua, John Dominis (Consort of Queen Liliuokalani), Prince David Kawanakoa, and Sam Nowlein (one of the leaders of the 1885 failed counter revolution to restore the monarchy), became members.

In 1905, Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie transferred its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of California. By then Hawaii had become a Territory of the United States. Although Hawaii was annexed by the United States in 1898, the Territorial government was not formalized until 1900.

Wallace Rider Farrington who served as Master of the Lodge in 1902, was the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii from July 5, 1921, to July 5, 1926. He was the editor of the Evening Bulletin which merged with the Hawaiian Star in 1912, to become the Honolulu Star Bulletin, where he served as vice president and general manager.

In 1989, Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie transferred its allegiance once again, this time to the newly formed Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii. Three of its Past Masters have served as Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii, Frederick Overstreet, Richard Dang and Paul Jones.

In 1998 King Kalakaua Daylight Lodge was amalgamated into the Lodge le Progres de l'Oceanie's family.

By Herbert G. Gardiner, P.G.S., Grand Historian

The following contributed by Brothers Ralph H. Head, Marty Alexander & R. Decker

The first regular meeting of Hawaiian Lodge, U.D., was held in February 1852 and on 5th May the Grand Lodge of California granted a charter to the first Lodge under its jurisdiction beyond the territorial limits of the United States: Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21.

In due time three of Hawaii's seven kings would become members of the Masonic fraternity: Kamehameha IV, Kamehameha V and Kalakaua I. Prince Consort John O. Dominis, husband of Queen Liliuokalani, was a Mason. Three governors and five chief justices of the Hawaiian Supreme Court joined Hawaiian Lodges.

All three kings served as Masters of Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie, but it fell on King Kalakaua I, Master in 1876, to be the first monarch to visit the Congress of the United States. He was received with highest honors by President Grant, ultimately helping to bring about the passage of the Reciprocity Treaty which provided duty-free trade between America and Hawaii, and for the use of Pearl Harbor by United States forces.

In later years royalty would in turn visit the Territory of Hawaii. In April 1920, Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21, received Grand Master Charles Albert Adams as well as the Prince of Wales, who would later become Edward VIII, King of Britain, and still later, the Duke of Windsor. The Grand Master was first announced and escorted into the Lodge room. After receiving the gavel he reported that "our brother, the Prince of Wales, is expected at any moment:.. After being received the Prince was presented with a silver trowel.

A Lodge had earlier been chartered on Maui by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, only to become extinct. Therefore, the first Lodge under California jurisdiction off the island of Oahu was to be founded on the Big Island of Hawaii. In February 1897, Grand Master Thomas Flint, Jnr., issued a dispensation to a Rib Lodge. With a membership of sixteen, Kilauea Lodge, No. 330, was duly constituted in October 1897.

As trade and commerce grew it was decided that another Lodge on Oahu would be beneficial and desirable, so in 1895 a group of Masons addressed a petition to the District Grand Lodge of Queensland for a dispensation. In June, Pacific Lodge, U.D., was instituted and the proceedings were held in accordance with the laws of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. In October the charter arrived for Pacific Lodge, No. 822. In 1910 the Lodge received a dispensation from California, but since Pacific Lodge, No. 136, of San Francisco had been working since 1860, the charter was issued in the name of Honolulu Lodge, No. 490, the fourth to join the Grand Lodge of California, although the third Masonic Lodge organized in Hawaii.

In 1913 thousands of officers and enlisted soldiers were permanently stationed at Schofield Barracks, 25 miles outside the city of Honolulu. Many of the men were Masons and it was necessary for them to travel miles to attend Lodge. That year Grand Lodge was petitioned for a charter. Dispensation was granted in December and Schofield Lodge, No. 443, came into permanent being on 15th October 1914.

The third lodge to be chartered in Hawaii was Lodge Maui, No. 223, in 1872 by the Grand Lodge of California, but because of scattered membership and the difficulty of travel and obtaining officers, the Lodge was forced to give up its charter in 1877. But Masons on the island never gave up the idea of having their Lodge, and in 1904 a dispensation was received from the Grand Lodge of Scotland with the designation of Lodge Maui, No. 984. In the course of time it was decided that harmony could be best maintained if all Hawaii Lodges were under one jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge of California was petitioned, and in January 1918, Maui Lodge, No. 472, became part of the California Grand Lodge family.

The Masonic Club of Kauai led to the establishment of Kauai Lodge, U.D., in less than three years after its founding Grand Master Arthur Crites was received by the Lodge in May 1924 and on 16th October 1924 its charter issued, making Kauai Lodge, No. 589, the westernmost Lodge in American territory.

While the Lodge on Kauai was being chartered, over on the island of Oahu another Lodge was in the process of organization. What started as the Naval Masonic Association was to become in September 1924 "Navy Lodge, U.D.". Perhaps because the name might be confused with Naval Lodge, No. 87, of Vallejo, Grand Lodge issued the charter in the name of Pearl Harbor Lodge, No. 598.

Thirty-three years were to elapse before another Lodge would be organized in Hawaii. In September 1957, the Grand Lodge of California chartered Waikiki Lodge, No. 774, with its constitution following in July 1958.

The next Lodge to be chartered in the State of Hawaii was in 1960, also on Oahu at Kailua under the name of Ko'olau, No. 801, serving the windward side of the island.

During the 1970's there was a group of men who were members of Masonic Lodges throughout the nation that lived in Kona. They gathered together and formed a High-Twelve Club. This group of masons carried on its purposes for several years. In 1981, the group applied to the Grand Master of California for a dispensation to form a Masonic Lodge. This was granted. The Lodge worked under the Grand Master's dispensation until July 23, 1983, when the Grand Master and his staff came from California to Oahu to constitute Kona Lodge No. 836 as a duly and regularly constituted lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. This meeting of the Grand Lodge was held in the Keauhou Beach Hotel and was attended by a large crowd of men and women who were associated with the Masonic order in some meaningful manner.

The last Lodge to be chartered in Hawaii is the Leeward Lodge. A number of masons from various lodges applied to the Grand Master of Hawaii in 2001 for a dispensation to form a Masonic Lodge. The charter was given to the Master of Leeward Lodge at the 2003 annual communication at the Pacific Beach Hotel, Honolulu, on May 3, 2003. Leeward Lodge was constituted in accordance with ancient usages and customs of the craft at 4:00 P.M., Saturday, June 21, 2003.

The Lodges of Hawaii constituted their own Grand Lodge on May 20, 1989, which now consist of 12 Masonic Lodges and approximately 1,906 members.

Freemasonry & the Hawaiian Royalty **In the Sandwich Islands**

Our late Brother Samuel Langhorne Clemens better known as Mark Twain, having spent four months in the Sandwich Islands during 1866, described our Islands as being "The Loveliest Fleet of Islands That Lies Anchored in Any Ocean," Captain James Cook of the Royal Navy who had accidentally discovered the Islands on January 18, 1778, named them The Sandwich Islands in honor of his good friend and patron, The First Lord of the Admiralty, John Montagu, Fourth Earl of Sandwich.

Mark Twain had been a member of Polar Star Lodge No. 79, in St. Louis, Missouri. While in Hawaii he visited Hawaiian Lodge No. 21, F & A M. Although it has been stated through the years that James Cook was a Freemason, the United Grand Lodge of England, UGLE, has advised us that there is no record of the famous Captain ever having been a Freemason. The UGLE checked their records going back to the 18th Century.

The Hawaiian Islands were known to the rest of the world as The Sandwich Islands from the time Captain Cook coined the name until Queen Liliuokalani was deposed and the Provisional Government acquired the reigns of power.

At the time of Mark Twain's sojourn in the Islands Kamehameha V (Lot Kamehameha) was the ruling Monarch and there were two Masonic Lodges in Honolulu. Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie No.124, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Supreme Council of France had been instituted on April 8, 1843, by Joseph-Marie Le Tellier Captain of the French whale barque "Ajax." It was the first Masonic Lodge to be founded in the Islands. Hawaiian Lodge No. 21 Free and Accepted Masons Chartered on May 5, 1852 by the Grand Lodge of California was the second Masonic Lodge to be instituted in the Sandwich Islands (Sandwich Islands indicated on its charter). It was

the first Lodge to be established by an American Grand Lodge.

The following Native Hawaiian members of the Monarchy eventually became interested in Freemasonry along with two Caucasian relatives:

Prince Lot Kamehameha, Kamehameha V, 1830-1872

Prince Lot was the first Native Hawaiian to become a Freemason. He became a Master Mason in Hawaiian Lodge in May 1853.

Prince Alexander Liholiho, Kamehameha IV, 1834-1863

King Kamehameha IV became a Master Mason in Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie in December 1856. He served as Worshipful Master in 1859, 1861 and 1862.

King David Kalakaua, 1836-1891

King David Kalakaua became a Master Mason in Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie in January 1859. He served as Worshipful Master in 1876.

Prince William Pitt, 1855-1877

Prince William Pitt Leleiohoku Kalahoolewa brother of David Kalakaua and Liliuokalani, became a Master Mason in June 1874, in Hawaiian Lodge. He was named heir to the throne by King Kalakaua, but unfortunately he died of pneumonia at the age of 22. As a consequence the King named Liliuokalani heir to the throne of Hawaii.

Prince David Kawananakoa, 1868-1908

Prince David Laamea Kawananakoa nephew of King Kalakaua became a Master Mason in Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie in

August 1900. He was active in politics for a brief period but never held either an appointive or elective office.

John Dominis, 1832-1891

John Owen Dominis Consort of Queen Liliuokalani and Governor of Oahu became a Master Mason in Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie in April 1858. he served as Worshipful Master of the Lodge in 1863, 1864, and 1868. He served as General Legate and Deputy of the Hawaii Scottish Rite Bodies from 1874-1891.

Archibald Cleghorn, 1835-1910

Archibald Scott Cleghorn the husband of Princess Miriam Kapili younger sister of King Kalakaua and father of Princess Victoria Kaiulani, succeeded John Dominis as Governor of Oahu. He became a Master Mason in Hawaiian Lodge in December 1873. He served as a trustee from 1882 to 1910.

Through the combined efforts of these brethren over the years, Freemasonry in Hawaii became an integral part of the social fabric of the Sandwich Islands.

Herbert G. Gardiner PGS

Grand Historian

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to each Lodge in the Jurisdiction
addressed to the Secretary*

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I, MIKE MAKLARY, Grand Secretary of the Most worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that body at its Special Communication and its fourteen Annual Communication, commencing at the City of Honolulu, Hawaii, Friday the third of May, A.L. 6003 and terminating on Saturday the fourth of May, A.L. 6003.



I have hereunto appended my official signature and have affixed the seal of the Most Worship Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii, at the office of the Grand Secretary, this 1st Day of October, in the year of Light, two thousand and three.

Mike Maklary
Grand Secretary

**Special Communication of the
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of
Free & Accepted Masons
of the State of Hawaii**

**May 02, 2003
at the
Pacific Beach Hotel
Honolulu, Hawaii**

The Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was called by the Most Worshipful Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master, under the provisions of paragraph **§152** of the Hawaii Masonic Code.

At 9:00 a.m., May 2, 2003, the Brethren were rapped to order and then rapped them up for the entrance of the Grand Lodge Officers. Upon the request of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary called the roll of the Grand Lodge Officers and the Past Grand Lodge Officers. The Committee on Credentials reported the necessary quorum (**§156**, H.M.C.) was present and that a full report would be given after the Grand Lodge was open.

The Grand Master declared the Grand Lodge open and requested the full report of the Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee reported the presence of:

Elected Grand Lodge Officers	7
Past Grand Masters	6
Lodge Representation (Exclusive of PMs)	30
Lodge Past Masters' representation	8
Total votes available	51

The Grand Master reminded all present that business was restricted to action on the three decisions addressed in the call for the Special Communication.

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION #3 - PASSED

HMC §200 MANNER OF ELECTION —

Provides that the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and Grand Lecturer be elected by written Ballot at a special communication called for the specific purpose of their election on the last Saturday of November each year before the annual communications.

WHEREAS, In order to fully conduct an proper election all representatives of every lodge must be present, as it is their duty. This necessitates the transportation of representatives from the neighbor islands, and rental of a room large enough to accommodate the brethren present, and.

WHEREAS, In order to maintain financial stability within this Grand Lodge.

WHEREAS At the annual communications of January 12, 2002, Resolution #§2001-14 was voted on and accepted by at least two thirds of the brethren present moving the annual communication from the second Saturday of January to the Second Saturday of May, effective 2002.

THEREFORE, It is my decision that in order to fully substantiate the cost of transportation for all Grand Lodge Representative, the annual election of Grand Lodge Officers be moved from November 30, 2002, to the Saturday of the Annual Communication in May of 2003..

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii November 15, 2002

Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master

Attested: Randy TS Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION #4 - PASSED

HMC §150 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION. (Amended January 12, 2002) Provides that the annual communication be held on the second Saturday of each May commencing at 9:00 AM . Within the city and county of Honolulu

WHEREAS, Our Order is dedicated to the making of good men better, and due to the Important holiday of Mothers Day occurring on Sunday, May 11, 2003 when we may all want to be with family honoring our individual ladies.

THEREFORE, It is my decision that the Annual Communication of 2003 be moved from the second Saturday of May, to the first Saturday of May, commencing promptly at 9:00 AM. Within the City and County of Honolulu.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii November 15, 2002

Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master

Attested: Randy TS Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION #6 - NOT APPROVED

Greetings,

Most Worshipful Sirs, Worshipful Sirs, Right Worshipful Sirs, Very Worshipful Sirs, Lodge Officers and Brethren. The following Laws have been on our books since the inception of this Grand Lodge.

HMC §2094. FORFEITURE OF REPRESENTATION. A Lodge which shall have failed to make its annual returns, with payment of dues, shall not be entitled to representation at the next annual communication.

HMC §2096. ANNUAL RETURNS. Annually, on or before the fifteenth (15) day of January, each chartered lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a full and correct report of its transaction for the twelve months next preceding the first day of January in such form as may be provided; and each lodge under dispensation shall transmit a similar report from the date of its institution to the first day of January in each year and from the first day of January to the first day of the month in which the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge is held.

Each report shall contain a list of names of Masons whose dues have been remitted, together with the cause of such remission, as to whom non payment per capita tax contribution is to be had.

Every Lodge shall accompany such report with payment of its dues to the Grand Lodge.

HMC §2096x. The Lodge has no discretion in the matter of Grand Lodge dues, and a warrant for the same may be drawn without a vote of the lodge.

WHEREAS, late payments of per capita tax and the submitting of reports late have been the norm in this jurisdiction for many years past, thereby hindering the proper operation of this jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, many notices and warning have been given to all of the lodges in this jurisdiction regarding per capita and other payments, including needed reports, and

WHEREAS, Pearl Harbor Lodge and Lodge Le Progres of this jurisdiction have sent payments and reports late and past the, due date, as in the past without regard to the above HMC laws

THEREFORE. It is my sad but essential decision to enforce the above HMC laws, rules and regulations as I am obligated to do, and deny representation to the above named. two lodges at the next Grand Annual Communication to be held on May 2nd and 3rd, 2003 in Waikiki, Hawaii. .

This forfeiture of representation will expire the next day following the close of the above said communication.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii February 5, 2003

Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master

Attested: Randy TS Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary

The Special Communication was closed at 11:30 a.m. by Most Worshipful Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master, and he stated that the Annual Communication would begin at 12:30 p.m., May 02, 2003.

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Annual Communication
of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
of Free & Accepted Masons
of the State of Hawaii

May 02 & 03, 2003
at the
Pacific Beach Hotel
Honolulu, Hawaii

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii was opened at 12:30 p.m., May 02, 2003. The Brethren were rapped to order and then rapped up for the entrance of the Grand Lodge Officers. The Grand Lodge was than opened in due form. Upon the request of the Grand Master, After the roll call, The Credentials Committee reported the necessary quorum was present.

The committee of credentials reported that 11 Lodges were present and the total number of votes would be provided before the commencement of business. The Grand Lodge was than opened in due form.

Elected Grand Lodge Officers	7
Past Grand Masters	4
Lodge representation (exclusive of PMs)	33
Lodge Past Masters' representation	11
Total votes available	55

A Toast to the Flag was given by Brother Duby

The Grand Master, Lyle G. Phillips, order the Grand Marshal to present the dignitaries. There were:

Past Grand Masters of the Hawaii Jurisdiction

Most Worshipful Ernest Y. Yamane
Most Worshipful Frederick H. Overstreet
Most Worshipful Stuart M. Cowan
Most Worshipful Randolph T. S. Chang

The Grand Master welcomed them to the communication and instructed the Grand Marshal to escort the Past Grand Masters to choice of seats in the Lodge.

The Grand Master instructed the Grand Marshal to escort the other dignitaries into the Lodge room.

Grand Lodge Officers of other Jurisdictions

The Most Worshipful Larry Weaver, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon
The Most Worshipful James N. Reed, Jr., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

The Most Worshipful Jack Miller, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Japan.

The Most Worshipful Larry Schaffer, PGM of the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

The Most Worshipful Ray Whitaker, PGM of the Grand Lodge of California.

The Grand Master welcomed them and expressed his appreciation for their attendance and noting that some had travelled a great distance to be in Hawaii. He hoped that they would enjoy our Business sessions.

First order of business are the Grand Master's decisions, several which were covered in the Special Session. First was the question of granting a charter to Leeward Lodge U.D., and the Charter Committee's report was read.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report of the Charter Committee to grant Leeward Lodge U.D. a charter. Motion was passed. A motion was made and seconded to grant Leeward Lodge U.D. a charter. Motion was passed and Leeward Lodge was granted a charter.

Grand Lecturer reported that with the granting of Leeward Lodge a charter, there were now 59 voting members with 30 needed for a majority.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Grand Master's Decision #1 and was passed,

Grand Master's Decision #1 - PASSED

Regarding Charter Membership in Leeward Lodge. U. D.
and Rights of Affiliated Members

HMC §2430 provides in part that:

“Upon the granting by the Grand Master of a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge the membership of any signer of the petition therefore in any other Lodge in this jurisdiction, from which he has not already withdrawn, shall ipso facto cease as of the date of institution....”

The rule is plain and unequivocal. If you are a charter member of a new Lodge, your membership in any other Lodge in this jurisdiction automatically terminates when the dispensation to form the new Lodge is issued by the Grand Master.

The purpose for the rule seems equally clear. Those who wish to form a new Lodge must commit all their energy, efforts and loyalty to the new Lodge in order to assure its success.

Most of us, particularly the Grand Lodge, wholly supported the zeal and enthusiasm of the petitioners who sought the formation of Leeward Lodge last year. Unfortunately, their advisors used a guidebook that did not consider HMC §2430. Thus, the many Brethren who eagerly signed the petition for the formation of Leeward Lodge had no idea they would automatically lose their membership in their mother Lodge when the Grand Master issued the dispensation.

The oversight was understandable, especially since our Code encourages plural membership. Indeed, it is very common for our Brethren to affiliate with several Lodges. No one is at fault and no one should be blamed. This was a simple mistake, made in good faith.

Nevertheless, I cannot simply ignore this matter. Too many Brethren and Lodges have been affected. There would always be questions as to the validity of **voting in one or more Lodges**, of **paying dues**, or **eligibility for office or for participating** in Lodge functions.

I believe that a member of a Lodge in this jurisdiction² who petitions for the formation of a new Lodge should **not** automatically lose his membership in his mother Lodge. The rule should be that a charter member of the new Lodge should automatically become an **affiliated** member of his mother Lodge.

¹*This provision is nearly identical to the California Masonic Code §24130: “ When the Grand Master grants a Dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge, the membership of anyone who signed the petition shall cease in any other Lodge in this Jurisdiction as of the date of institution unless he has already withdrawn....”, California makes clear, however, that this rule does not apply to affiliated membership.*

²The automatic loss of membership does not apply to members of Lodges in other jurisdictions. Neither does it apply to affiliated membership in other Lodges in this jurisdiction.

Nevertheless, I appreciate the purpose of the rule. I admonish the Brethren of Leeward Lodge, U. D., as I would admonish the members of any new Lodge, that they must devote their fullest energy to the success of the Lodge – in Ritual work, in administrative policies, in finances.

I am also sensitive to the growing problem of plural membership and possible conflicts of interest. When a member of two Lodges votes on a matter affecting both Lodges, where does his loyalty lie? Where should it lie? No man can truly serve two masters at the same time. Whenever your vote affects both Lodges, one of those Lodges is bound to be shortchanged. This circumstance has great potential to weaken a Lodge with many affiliated members, to cause resentment and disharmony among the Brethren of both Lodges, and thereby lessen the stability of all Lodges in this jurisdiction.³

Such would be the circumstance if I allow the members of Leeward Lodge, U. D., to remain members of their original Lodge, either as affiliates or as full-fledged members, instead of applying HMC §2430. That is not my intent. We should avoid the possibility that affiliated members may influence action that may have serious consequences to a Lodge – whether it should purchase property, expend funds for programs or parties, or elect officers.

Accordingly, I have asked the Jurisprudence Committee to propose legislation to deal with the foregoing problems. For the present, I intend by this Decision to permit those who signed the petition for the formation of Leeward Lodge, U. D., to change their minds. If their mother Lodge is in this jurisdiction and they remain charter members of Leeward Lodge U. D., they will automatically become affiliated members of their mother Lodge. Or they may decide to retain their membership in their mother Lodge, in which case they will automatically become affiliated members of Leeward Lodge, U. D.

In either case, by this Decision an affiliated member who is a member of another Lodge in this jurisdiction will not be permitted to vote on matters which directly or indirectly affect the welfare of any other Lodge of which they are a member or affiliated member.

³This was the result in 1854 when members of Hawaiian Lodge left to re-establish Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie, which had been dark for four years. Similar emotions surfaced when the Master of Hawaiian Lodge left to form Pacific Lodge (later Honolulu Lodge) in 1896.

IT IS THEREFORE MY DECISION that:

1. A member of a Lodge in this jurisdiction who signed the petition for the formation of Leeward Lodge, U. D., shall have thirty (30) days from the date of this Decision within which to withdraw his name from the petition. If he withdraws his name from the petition, he shall retain his membership in his original Lodge and automatically become an affiliated member of Leeward Lodge, U. D. If he does not withdraw his name from the petition, he shall be treated as a member of Leeward Lodge, U. D., and automatically become an affiliated member of his original Lodge. The effective date of withdrawal of the member's name shall be retroactive to the date of the issuance of the dispensation for the formation of Leeward Lodge, U. D.
2. A member who desires to withdraw his name from the petition as aforesaid shall notify the Secretary of Leeward Lodge, U. D. in writing, who shall record such withdrawal in the records of the Lodge and promptly notify the Grand Secretary and the Secretary of the member's original Lodge. The Grand Secretary shall thereafter strike the member's name from the petition on file with the Grand Lodge, and the Secretary of the original Lodge shall make the proper notation on the member's status.
3. Henceforth, an affiliated member of any Lodge in this jurisdiction may not vote on any matter which directly or indirectly affects any other Lodge of which he is a member or an affiliated member. The expenditure of any Lodge funds shall be presumed to affect another Lodge. If a question arises as to whether a vote will affect another Lodge, the Master (or if the Master is not present, the higher ranking Warden) shall be the final judge of such question.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, May 1, 2002.

LYLE G. PHILLIPS, *Grand Master*

ATTEST:

RANDY T. S. CHANG, *P.G.M.,*
Grand Secretary

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION # 2 - PASSED

Greetings from your Grand Lodge of Hawaii. This communication is written to inform you of Most Worshipful Lyle Phillips's concern over the Past Master's Jewels recently issued by your lodge.

The Most Worshipful Sir wishes to remind you and all members of Hawaiian Lodge that this jurisdiction, since 1989, no longer have numbers attached to the name of the lodge. This fact is well known to all, especially Masters and Past-Masters of a lodge.

Therefore, the Grand Master, Executive Committee, and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee have agreed that there will be no jewel, sign, collar, emblem, etc., issued from any lodge of this jurisdiction after 1989 with the lodge number attached. It is not legal Masonic paraphernalia in Hawaii.

You are hereby directed to inform all Past-Masters of your lodge wearing the recently issued jewels to have the "21" removed. To continue to wear them would be in direct violation of a Grand Master's order.

It is well known that the honor of having the number "21" on a Past Master's jewel belongs to those who have served your lodge prior to, and during 1989. This is a rite of passage that belongs to those who have earned it and cannot be claimed indiscriminately.

This office expects full compliance to this directive.

If we can be of any help to you, please contact me as soon as possible.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master

Attested

Randy TS Chang, P.G.M.
Grand Secretary

Grand Master's Decision #3 has already been decided, no action required, see Special Communication.

Grand Master's Decision #4 has already been decided, no action required, see Special Communication.

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION #5 - 2003-PASSED

HMC §1148 - REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF LODGE REPRESENTATIVES. The authorized officers or representatives of each lodge in the jurisdiction present at either the annual or special communication shall be furnished by the grand lodge with coupon vouchers covering the round trip air fare from his lodge in the jurisdiction to the site for attendance at the relevant communication or the value of the coupons in those situations where the members have to make their own reservation and pay for their transportation and shall be provided without regard to the treasury. Any further expense to these Grand Lodge Communications is to be borne by such representative or officer. **(Res.00-02(b); 1.2001**

HMC §1150. - REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, PAST GRAND MASTERS, INSPECTORS AND COMMITTEEMEN. Grand Lodge Officers, Inspectors and committeemen shall receive reimbursement for their necessary expenses for performance of their duties as approved by the Grand Master or adopted by Grand Lodge.

WHEREAS, the operating fund of this Grand Lodge is dependent upon per-capita income derived from membership, and

WHEREAS, The membership of this Jurisdiction is continuing to fall annually as it is throughout our fraternity worldwide, and

WHEREAS, it is not the wish of this administration to raise Per Capita tax in this jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, after conferring with the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, regarding the financial stability of this Grand Lodge in relation to the upcoming Grand Communication in May 2003, so

THEREFORE, it is my decision that for the 2003 communication to be held on May 2 & 3, 2003, your Grand Lodge will pay for only two round trip air fare tickets for each lodge located off the island of Oahu. One for the Past-Master's Representative and one for the Lodge Master or Warden. It is known that the Master or Warden can carry the necessary votes. This Grand Lodge will also pay for any Grand Lodge officer, appointed or elected, and any inspector residing off the island of Oahu to attend and participate in the communication. Also this Grand Lodge cannot pay for any hotel accommodation for any brother attending.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii February 11, 2003

Lyle G. Phillips, Grand Master

Attested:

Randy TS Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary

Grand Master's Decision #6 has already been decided, no action required, see Special Communication.

GRAND MASTER'S DECISION #7 - PASSED

WHEREAS Brother Terrence Goodridge was regularly elected to receive the degrees of Masonry by Kona Lodge, and initiated an Entered Apprentice therein; subsequently passed in good faith to Fellowcraft Mason by Kauai Lodge; and presented without proper affiliation for the 2002 fast class and therein raised as a Master Mason on August 31, 2002, and

WHEREAS Kona Lodge had issued a demit to Brother Goodridge; so

THEREFORE, it is my decision that Brother Terrence Goodridge who was adequately raised to Master Mason in the fast class on August 31, 2002 and became a Master Mason under this Jurisdiction without lodge affiliation on that date. As an unaffiliated Master Mason at that time, he had one year from that date to affiliate with a lodge of this jurisdiction.

Issued this 7th day of January, 2003

Lyle G Phillips, Grand Master
Attested:

Randy TS Chang, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 01 - DEFEATED

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RECOGNIZING PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii

WHEREAS, Freemasonry in the United States of North America and Canada as represented in the Conference of Grand Masters of North America (hereafter CGM grandlodges) since early 19th century, has been separated from Prince Hall Freemasonry (hereinafter PHA Grand Lodges) for reasons not here pertinent, and such division have resulted in misunderstandings in both CGM and PHA Orders of Ancient Craft Freemasonry, and Ancient Craft Freemasonry historically has been dedicated to the establishment of Understanding and Moral responsibility among various peoples of our communities; and at present, some thirty nine CGM and PHA Grand Lodge in particular geographic locales recognize each other to some extent as they have mutually agreed thus to authorize interaction between these two branches of Freemasonry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Article II, Sec 7d of the Hawaii Masonic Code be added:

Section 7d. Recognizing Prince Hall Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii recognizes as legal and legitimate, each and every Prince Hall Grand Lodge which has been recognized as legal and legitimate by the regular Grand Lodge with which we hold mutual recognition in the United States and/or Canada where such Prince Hall Grand Lodge regularly exist; and that this recognition practice be of a continuing nature so that as each Prince Hall Grand Lodge be in the future recognized by the regular Grand Lodge within whose geographical jurisdiction such works, that Prince Hall Grand Lodge shall be recognized by the Grand Lodge of Hawaii without further investigation required by the Grand Lodge of Hawaii; and that the Grand Lodge of Hawaii shall address a letter to such Prince Hall Grand Lodge acknowledging and extending recognition thereof by the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and querying such Prince Hall Grand Lodge if it desires such recognition, and on what basis and in what form it desires such recognition, that is whether it be for recognition only, or whether for full visitation and interaction or other basis.

Respectively submitted at Honolulu, Hawaii, May 28, 2002.

Proponents

/s/ Richard W. Decker, PSGW

/s/ Michael P Baker, PM

SPECIAL PROCEDURE TO EXPEDITE RECOGNITION OF PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGES.

Your committee on Jurisprudence to which resolution No. 2003-01 has been referred, reports as follows:

Unfortunately the proponents of this resolution erroneously assume the Grand Lodge of Hawaii doesn't fully understand the accepted Grand Lodge recognition process as it applies to all Grand Lodges, particularly Prince Hall Grand Lodges.

On the basis of this erroneous assumption they propose that the Grand Lodge of Hawaii initiate automatic recognition of all Prince Hall Grand Lodges which are currently recognized by the mainstream Grand Lodges (Conference of Grand Masters) as reported by the Masonic Service Association. In essence, the Grand Lodge of Hawaii should proceed with an automatic mass recognition of these Prince Hall Grand Lodges and this procedure be of a continuing nature.

The proponents of this resolution also request that in furtherance of this resolution the Grand Lodge of Hawaii to automatically grant fraternal recognition to every Prince Hall Grand Lodge as they become recognized by mainstream Grand Lodges in their geographical jurisdiction without any investigation, and the Grand Lodge of Hawaii advise each such Prince Hall Grand Lodge of it's intent, and if acceptable, request what form of recognition the Prince Hall Grand Lodge desires.

The proponents of this resolution seem to suggest there is an urgency in recognizing the regular Prince Hall Grand Lodges, and consequently the Grand Lodge of Hawaii should abandon the accepted standard procedure for recognition of all Grand Lodges in the interest of expediting the granting of fraternal recognition to regular Prince Hall Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii is unaware of any regular mainstream Grand Lodge in the U.S. employing the method of granting recognition of Prince Hall Grand Lodges as recommended by the proponents of this resolution.

To date the Grand Lodge of Hawaii has recognized several Prince Hall Grand Lodges following the long established procedure employed by the Grand Lodges of North America, which itself (Grand Lodge of Hawaii) followed in acquiring recognition by the Grand Lodge of California and all other mainstream Grand Lodges in the U.S. and abroad.

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii has conducted the recognition process of regular Prince Hall Grand Lodges in the exact same manner in which it deals with other regular Grand Lodges insofar as granting fraternal recognition is concerned.

The traditional accepted procedure for acquiring recognition is for the Grand Lodge desiring recognition is to present its credentials to the Grand Lodge it wants to be recognized by, thus indicating that it is a regular Grand Lodge and therefore it is requesting that it be recognized. The principle being that the Grand Lodge which desires to be recognized initiates the action requesting that it be recognized, not the other way around.

This is the standard procedure by which all regular Grand Lodges adhere to in granting and acquiring recognition. Since this procedure has been employed as standard practice by the Grand Lodge of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Hawaii, it most certainly should be satisfactory for Prince Hall Grand Lodges.

SPECIAL PROCEDURE TO EXPEDITE RECOGNITION OF PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGES.

It is not an accepted practice for mainstream regular Grand Lodges in the U.S. and abroad to contact Prince Hall Grand Lodges, or any other Grand Lodge for that matter, and ask if they want to be recognized, and the type of recognition they desire.

Although the proponents of this resolution have good intentions, the action they propose is contrary to a well established satisfactory procedure that has been utilized by regular Grand Lodges in the U.S. and abroad for a great many years. Similar resolutions have been submitted in the past and have been rejected.

This resolution seeks to amend the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii by adding Section 7 (d), recognizing Prince Hall Grand Lodges, to the Hawaii Masonic Code, therefore a two-thirds vote for adoption is required.

The Jurisprudence Committee recommends that this resolution not be adopted and that any future action associated with the recognition of any Prince Hall Grand Lodge continue to be accomplished in accordance with the standard procedure maintained by the Grand Lodge of Hawaii for Recognition of all Grand Lodges, which is the same as that employed by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, Chairman

Committee Members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM

Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS

Dexter Lum, PM

Dennis S. A. Ing, PM

Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, GS, Ex-Officio

RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 02 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii

WHEREAS, Section 2060 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides instructions displaying the Flag of our country; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Masonic Code does not make provisions for or provide instructions regarding the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country; and

WHEREAS, it is the current practice of each Lodge to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country only at the beginning of stated meetings of the Lodge; and

WHEREAS, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country is not recited at other meetings of the Lodge; and

WHEREAS, Article §102 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii states, in part, "...It is recognized and expected that each Mason in this jurisdiction be of good citizen and that he have a belief in God and a future existence and as an individual he conduct himself accordingly..." and

WHEREAS, the current state of world affairs calls on every United States citizen to exhibit and promote the highest standards of Americanism and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, members of the Masonic fraternity should be the leaders in the community and set an example of good citizenship and patriotism for others to emulate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a new subparagraph be added to the Hawaii Masonic Code as follows:

“§2060a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. Immediately following the opening of all regular or special Masonic meetings, except funerals, the Worshipful Master shall lead the brethren in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.”

Proponents:

/s/ Proctor J. Gilbert, Jr.

/s/ A. Lee Skinner

Jurisprudence Committee

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which Resolution No. 2003-02 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to require the Worshipful Master to lead the brethren in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country immediately following the opening of all regular or special Masonic meetings, except funerals, by adding Section 2060a, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG, to the Hawaii Masonic Code.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on this resolution.

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NO. 2003-02
(H.M.C. “Section 2060a: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.”)

The general position of the Ritual Committee is that matters of ritual should not be codified in the H.M.C.; they should be in the Cipher, the Monitor and Officers’ Manual, or other guidance (e.g., Installation Service and Funeral Service). There are exceptions which are best spelled out in the H.M.C.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag is specifically addressed in the Installation Service and in the Reception of the Flag in the Monitor and Officers’ Manual. It is not otherwise addressed in our documentation.

As H.M.C. Section 2060 addresses display of the Flag, a subsection thereof would be the appropriate place to direct the ‘Pledge’ if such action is the will and pleasure of the Grand Lodge. However, this Grand Lodge should not micro-manage the meetings of other Masonic bodies.

It is recommended that before the matter comes to a vote in the Grand Lodge, the proposed amendment to the H.M.C. be modified to read:

“Section 2060a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. Immediately following the opening of all tiled Lodge meetings, the Worshipful Master shall lead the brethren in reciting the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.”

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

Withdrawn by Proponents.

RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 04 - PASSED

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii

REVISION TO SECTION 2430 "MEMBERSHIP IN A NEW LODGE"

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Hawaii has been propagated from the Grand Lodge of California, and

WHEREAS, this Grand Jurisdiction accepted the California Masonic Code to become the Masonic rule of this Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, in the Hawaii Masonic Code, Section §2430. MEMBERSHIP IN A NEW LODGE reads as follows: §2430 MEMBERSHIP IN A NEW LODGE *"Upon granting by the Grand Master of a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge the membership of any signer of the petition therefore in any other lodge in this jurisdiction, from which he has not already withdrawn, shall ipso facto cease as of the date of institution; however, he shall never the less be liable for, and shall pay to such lodge such unpaid dues as may have accrued between the date of his certificate of standing in such lodge and the date of the instituting of the new lodge."* and

WHEREAS, the California Masonic Code as adopted, reads as follows: §2430 MEMBERSHIP IN A NEW LODGE. *"Upon granting by the Grand Master of a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge the membership of any signer of the petition therefore in any other lodge in this jurisdiction, from which he has not already withdrawn, shall ipso facto cease as of the date of institution; however, he shall never the less be liable for, and shall pay to such lodge such unpaid dues as may have accrued between the date of his certificate of standing in such lodge and the date of the instituting of the new lodge. This section shall not apply to any signer who has indicated a desire to affiliate as a plural member."* and

WHEREAS, the current HMC deleted the following from the same section: *"This section shall not apply to any signer who has indicated a desire to affiliate as a plural member"* and

WHEREAS, there is no documentation available to show that the deletion was intentional.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2430 Membership in a new lodge of the Hawaii Masonic Code be revised to read as marked:

§2430 MEMBERSHIP IN A NEW LODGE. *"Upon granting by the Grand Master of a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge the membership of any signer of the petition therefore in any other lodge in this jurisdiction, from which he as not already withdrawn, shall ipso facto cease as of the date of the institution; however, he shall never the less be liable for, and shall pay to such lodge such unpaid dues as may have accrued between the date of his certificate of standing in such lodge and the date of the instituting of the new lodge. This section shall not apply to any signer who has indicated a desire to affiliate as a plural member."*

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary
February 15, 2002

Jurisprudence Committee

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-04
Revision to Section 2430, HMC “Membership in a New Lodge”**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-04 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution is a housekeeping measure. Upon review of our Hawaii Masonic Code, the last sentence to Section 2430, H.M.C. has been unintentionally deleted.

Therefore, the sentence which reads “This Section shall not apply to any signer who has indicated a desire to affiliate as a plural member.” shall be added as a last sentence to Section 2430, H.M.C.

Your Committee finds that the Resolution, as distributed by its Grand Secretary to the constituent Lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend an ordinance and a two-thirds vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, this Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully Submitted:

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, *Chairman*

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM

Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS

Dexter Lum, PM

Dennis S. A. Ing, PM

Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, *Ex-officio*

RESOLUTION 2003 - 05 - PASSED

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Res No. 2003-18 duplicate

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Resolution to clarify the EAM and FCM Proveniences, as promulgated in this Jurisdiction.

WHEREAS, Section 2668 of the Hawaii Masonic Code omits important clarification concerning the performance of the proveniences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2668 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked to read:

§2668. ADVANCEMENT. Before a Lodge shall advance an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft to a higher degree, he must have given satisfactory evidence, by strict examination in open Lodge and satisfactory completion of open-book Test Questions for the appropriate degree contained in "Introduction to Freemasonry - Candidate Membership Program" as prepared by the Masonic Renewal Committee of North America, that he is entirely proficient and well qualified in that or any meeting, but not more than five shall be examined at any one time with the questions being asked in rotation, but each applicant must repeat the obligation. However, any applicant that selects the 'Short Form' proficiency shall be separately examined. Such All examinations shall be held in front of the East.

[Res. 00-10; 1/2001]

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of November, 2002.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer and Past Master, Waikiki Lodge

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-05
To Clarify EAM and FCM Proficiencies by Amending Section 2668, H.M.C.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-05 has been referred, reports as follows:

This Resolution has been submitted by the Ritual Committee to clarify the proficiency examination to advance an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft to a higher degree, by amending Section 2668, Advancement, of the H.M.C. as follows:

“Section 2668. ADVANCEMENT. Before a Lodge shall advance an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft to a higher degree, he must have given satisfactory evidence, by strict examination in open Lodge and satisfactory completion of open-book Test Questions for the appropriate degree contained in “Introduction to Freemasonry-Candidate Membership Program” as prepared by the Masonic Renewal Committee of North America, that he is entirely proficient and well qualified in that or any meeting, but not more than five shall be examined at any one time with the questions being asked in rotation, but each applicant must repeat the obligation. However, any applicant that selects the ‘Short Form’ proficiency shall be separately examined. Such All examinations shall be held in front of the East.”

Your Committee finds that this Resolution, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the Constituent Lodges is adequate to carry out the intent of the Ritual Committee.

This Resolution seeks to amend an Ordinance and a two-thirds vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted.

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, *Chairman*

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM

Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS

Dexter Lum, PM

Dennis S.A. Ing, PM

Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, *Ex-officio*

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-06 - PASSED

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Res No. 2003-14 duplicate

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. Of the State of Hawaii:

Resolution concerning action on the report of Investigating Committees

WHEREAS, §2640 of the Hawaii Masonic Code (1993) contained two paragraphs (the second paragraph being unnumbered) in addition to §2640 and §2640b; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 93-1 (Adopted) addressed reasons for and proposed changes to the first paragraph of §2640; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 93-1 did not address the second paragraph of §2640 (1993), but left that paragraph out of the proposed change; and

WHEREAS, that second paragraph is deemed appropriate and was deleted by oversight;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that §2640 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended to read:

§2640. REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE. The report of the Investigating Committee shall(as presently printed).....such committee to any other person. **[93-1]**

If the report of the Committee, or any member thereof, be unfavorable, or if said report shows that an applicant is in any way not qualified or unworthy to be made a Mason, no ballot shall be had but the Master shall, upon receipt of such report, declare the applicant rejected.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of November, 2002.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer and Past Master, Waikiki Lodge

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-06
REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-06 has been referred, reports as follows:

This Resolution is a housekeeping measure. Upon review of the Hawaii Masonic Code, the 2nd paragraph of Section 2640, H.M.C. has been inadvertently omitted.

The following paragraph to be added to Section 2640. Report of Investigating Committee, H.M.C.

“If the report of the Committee, or any member thereof, be unfavorable, or if said report shows that an applicant is in any way not qualified or unworthy to be made a Mason, no ballot shall be had but the Master shall, upon receipt of such report, declare the applicant rejected.”

Your Committee finds that the Resolution, as distributed by the Grand Lodge to the Constituent Lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents.

This Resolution seeks to amend an Ordinance and a two-thirds vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, *Chairman*

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S.A. Ing, PM
Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, *Ex-officio*

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-07 - PASSED

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**COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,
PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL BUDGET**

The Grand Lodge for years has operated without a budget. Section 1218 of the Hawaii Masonic Code (HMC) states that the annual budget should be prepared by the Committee on Finance, and that the budget must be approved at the Annual Communication. However, no annual budget has been presented to the Grand Lodge and no budget has been approved by that body.

Year after year there have been complaints about the unfettered expenditure of Grand Lodge funds. Without clear financial guidelines and especially with out a budget, the interpretation of what constitutes reasonable expenditure has varied from administration to administration..

One reason for this circumstance is that there is no clear direction in the HMC as to who should comprise the Committee on Finance, when it should meet and how it should function. (to date no rules or regulations have been promulgated by any Committee on Finance.) Another reason is that the constituent lodges, whose per-capita tax furnished nearly all Grand Lodge revenue, has had little input or knowledge as to how the Grand Lodge spends its funds.

In a small jurisdiction, where revenue is small, we must be particularly careful with regard to our finances. An annual budget is critical in this regard.

This proposed resolution amends HMC section 1218 by setting forth the composition of the Committee on Finance, specifying when it meets and describing its duties. It will consist of what is now the Executive Committee of the Grand Lodge, and the sitting masters of each constituent lodge. The chair of the committee will be the Deputy Grand Master, and not the Grand Master, whose duties will sometime conflict with those of the chair of the Finance Committee. The committee will meet on the first Saturday of February of each year, which should give them sufficient time to prepare and present the proposed budget to the constituent Lodges. (see below), unless changed by the Deputy Grand Master in a manner specified in the legislation. Neighbor island committee members (but no others) may participate by written proxy. Other procedural matters are intentionally left to rules and regulations to be adopted by the Committee on Finance.

To maintain consistency with related parts of the HMC describing other committees and their functions, parts of section 1218 have been deleted and covered under a new section 1291. This new section requires the Committee on Finance to prepare an annual budget and present it to the constituent Lodges for consideration at least 60 days before the Annual Communication. This is the same deadline for presentation to the Lodges of other proposed legislation. The proposed amendment also requires a current balance sheet and income statement to accompany the budget.

THEREFORE, the undersigned respectfully propose the adoption of the following amendments to the HMC (*new material is underscored, deleted material is lined out*):

1. Section 1202, HMC, shall be amended completely to read as follows:

SECTION 1202. STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following standing committees shall be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Communication just before the close thereof, viz: On Jurisprudence, on Policy and General Purposes, on Temple Properties, on Public Schools, on Charters, on Grand Lodge Week Activities, ~~on Finance~~, on Trial Review, on Credentials, on Travel Allowances, on By-Laws, on Review of Proceedings, on Masonic History, on Memorial Service, and on Masonic Information and Responsibility. The duties of such committees shall continue during the year thereafter, and shall cease at the close of the next succeeding annual Communication except as to members of committees whose terms do not end with the close of that Annual Communication.

2. Section 1218, HMC, should be amended completely to read as follows:

SECTION 1218. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE. The Committee on Finance shall be a standing committee, and shall consist of the following persons and no others: The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and the sitting Masters of each constituent Lodge. The chair of the Committee on Finance shall be the Deputy Grand Master; provided that, in his absence, the following committee members shall act as temporary chairman at any meeting at which a quorum is present: Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Treasurer, a sitting Master elected by a majority of those present at the meeting.

The Committee on Finance shall meet annually in Honolulu, at 9:00 a.m., on the first Saturday in February of each year, unless the Deputy Grand Master gives written notice of another date and time at least 30 days before the new date, which new date may not be more than 10 days before or after the first Saturday in February. Special meetings of the committee may be called by the Deputy Grand Master or by a majority of the committee members by giving written notice of such special meeting and the purpose thereof at least 30 days prior to the date of the meeting. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the committee members. Neighbor island committee members may attend and vote by written proxy given to any Master Mason in good standing, but no other committee members may participate in meetings by proxy.

Every appropriation of money shall be referred to and reported upon by the Committee on Finance before it can be made; and no appropriation of money shall be made at any Annual Communication after the election of Grand Officers, except by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

~~The Budget prepared by the Committee on Finance shall include any supplementary appropriations made by the Grand Master, and shall estimate and make provisions for the reimbursement of the expenses of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters, Inspectors, and members of Committees and Constitutional Boards, in accordance with the rules and regulations approved by the Grand Master or adopted by Grand Lodge.~~

Every over-expenditure of budgeted items, needing supplemental appropriations approved by the Grand Master, shall be referred to and reported upon by the Committee of Finance.

The Committee on Finance shall ~~assist and consult with the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary in regard to the~~ be responsible for and supervise all financial affairs of the Grand Lodge, including, without limiting the foregoing, such matters as preparing an annual budget, capital expenditures, employee wage scales, internal auditing controls, and mechanization; and shall exercise a general supervision and surveillance over compliance with the adopted budget of the Grand Lodge. When requested, it shall advise and assist all constitutional Boards in financial matters.

The Committee on Finance shall prescribe rules, regulations and procedures for the filing of all expense claims and shall be responsible for recommending approval or disallowance of all such claims at the Annual Communication or such Special Communication as may be called for the purpose. As adopted 1989.

3. A new section 1291, HMC, should be adopted as follows (*new material underscored*):

SECTION 1291. ANNUAL BUDGET. Each year the Committee of Finance shall prepare an annual budget for the ensuing term of the Grand Lodge, setting forth the projected revenue and expenses of the Grand Lodge in reasonable detail. The budget shall be printed and mailed or delivered to all constituent Lodges at least 60 days prior to the Annual Communication, and shall be accompanied by a current balance sheet and income statement.

Respectfully submitted on this _____, 2002.

/s/ Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary
Grand Treasurer

/s/ Jorge Disuanceo,

**REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION No. 2003-07
COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,
PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL BUDGET**

TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2009-07 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution amends HMC Section 1218 by setting forth the composition of the Committee on Finance, specifying when it meets, and describing its general duties. Presently, this section does not specify the composition of the Committee on Finance, but leaves to the Grand Master the power to appoint the committee. As the proposed legislation observes, the Committee on Finance has either not been appointed, has not met and/or has not presented a budget to the Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication.

This proposal would specify that the Committee on Finance will consist of the present members of Executive Committee of the Grand Lodge: The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary. In addition the sitting Masters of each constituent Lodge will also be members of this committee.

The chair of the committee will be the Deputy Grand Master, and not the Grand Master. This is important for several reasons. First, the preparation of the budget for the ensuing term will primarily affect the Deputy, who will usually be the incoming Grand Master. Second, the committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing the current Grand Master's financial report. Third, under HMC Section 300e, fundamental changes in Grand Lodge policy or operations affecting administrative functions must be approved by the Grand Master and two of the following persons: The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, or Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance.

The proposal specified that the Committee on Finance will meet on the first Saturday in February of each year, unless the date is changed by the Deputy Grand Master in writing and in sufficient time to complete and present the proposed annual budget.

Neighbor island committee members (but no other members) may participate in meetings by written proxy. Other procedural matters are intentionally left to rules and regulations to be adopted by the Committee of Finance.

To maintain consistency with related parts of the HMC describing other committees and their functions, parts of Section 1218 have been deleted and covered under a new section, Section 1291. This new section requires the Committee on Finance to prepare an annual budget and present it to the constituent Lodges for consideration at least 60 days before the Annual Communication. This is the same deadline for presentation to the Lodges of other proposed legislation. The proposed amendment also requires a current balance sheet and income statement to accompany the budget.

Your Committee believes that the proposed amendment is in proper form and is consistent with the stated purposes of its proponents. It also is consistent with the present Code. As this resolution seeks to amend the Code, a 2/3 vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted:
/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, *Chair*
Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter W. Lum, PM
Dennis A. Ing, PM
Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary

Proposed Resolution 2003-08: - PASSED

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-09
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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section 2504 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that members in good standing whose dues are paid, or have been remitted at any time within one year previous to an election though dues of such members accruing since such remission have not been paid, shall be entitled to vote at an election; and

WHEREAS, Section 2504 also provides that every voter shall be eligible to any office in the Lodge; and

WHEREAS, certain officers, specifically the Master, the Senior Warden, and the Junior Warden, must be certified to be qualified to give the lectures, as provided by Section 2514, 2516, and 2518, respectively, of the Hawaii Masonic Code, before they can be installed to their elective positions; and

WHEREAS, certain officers, specifically the Master, the Senior Warden, and the Junior Warden, must have received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as provided by Sections 2514, 2516, and 2518, respectively, of the Hawaii Masonic Code, before they can be installed to their elective positions; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Deacon must be duly qualified to ascend to the position of the Junior Warden, in the event of the latter officer's inability to perform his duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2504 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2504. QUALIFICATIONS OF VOTERS AND OFFICERS. Members in good standing whose dues are paid, or have remitted at any time within one year previous to an election though the dues of such members accruing since such remission have not been paid, shall be entitled to vote at an election, and every voter shall be eligible to any office in the Lodge, provided that certain elective officers, specifically the Master-elect, the Senior Warden-elect, the Junior Warden-elect, and the appointed Senior Deacon, shall have received a certificate of proficiency in the candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as demonstrated in open Lodge and certified by either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer, or the Inspector of the District in which the Lodge is situated, before they can be installed to their respective positions.

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-09-RULED OUT OF ORDER

To amend Section §2504, Qualifications of Voters and Officers of the H.M.C.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which resolution No. 2003-09 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to enable the Senior Deacon to ascend to the position of the Junior Warden, in the event of the latter officer's inability to perform his duties. To accomplish this purpose, they are proposing to amend Section §2504, QUALIFICATIONS OF VOTERS AND OFFICERS, by including the qualifications of the Master-elect, Wardens-elect, and Senior Deacon, and to require the appointed Senior Deacon to have received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, in the same manner as the Master and Wardens, before he can be installed.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is not adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Your Committee finds the following faults with the proposed resolution.

First: The term "eligible" in Section §2504 was never intended to be synonymous with "qualified." The "eligibility" or qualified voters for certain offices in the Lodge is undisputedly subject to being "qualified" as outlined in Sections §2514, §2516, §2518, and §2520. Therefore, the proposed amendment is needlessly redundant with the latter four sections of the Code.

Second: The additional qualification proposed for the Senior Deacon does not go far enough. The proponents have ignored the requirement that the Junior Warden be "qualified to give the work and lecture of the First Degree" and "thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge." Thus, the most logical change to carry out the intent of the proponents would be to rename Section §2518 to QUALIFICATIONS OF JUNIOR WARDEN AND SENIOR DEACON and to delete Section 2520, QUALIFICATIONS OF SENIOR DEACON. However, we believe that it was never intended for the Senior Deacon to be as qualified as the Junior Warden, nor for the former to be the automatic successor to the latter.

And Third: The mechanism for filling a vacancy in the Junior Warden's station is covered by Section 2502, which does not contain any implication that the Senior Deacon would be the natural successor.

Based on these observations and conclusions, your Committee recommends disapproval of this resolution.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, P.G.M.
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:
Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM

Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-09

(H.M.C. Section 2504. Qualifications of Voters and Officers.)

It is the intent of H.M.C. Sections §2514, §2516, §2518, and §2520 to adequately cover the ritual and administrative requirements for the offices of Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, and Senior Deacon. When considered with Section §2506 (delinquency of dues for an officer-elect), it is a reasonable conclusion that Section §2504 was and is intended to address the paid/remitted dues status. To duplicate information in more than one section of the H.M.C. can easily lead to conflicting positions if one section is subsequently changed without regard to changing all related sections.

It is further noted that the proposed wording implies that the Grand Lecturer, Assistant Grand Lecturer or Inspector is to certify performance of the proficiency in open Lodge. This is in conflict with Lodge responsibilities as exercised by the Master and Secretary in the issuance of the Grand Lodge promulgated certificate of proficiency.

The Ritual Committee strongly recommends a **NEGATIVE VOTE** on this resolution.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-10 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2514 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that before a Master-elect can be installed, there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he as personally examined such Master-elect and that he is qualified to give the work and lectures entirely in the three degrees; and

WHEREAS, Section §2514 also provides that if the Master-elect is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge; and

WHEREAS, Section §2514 also provides that the Master-elect shall be properly certified to conduct the Masonic Funeral Service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2514 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2514. QUALIFICATIONS OF MASTER. Before a Master-elect can be installed there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Master-elect and that he is qualified to give the work and lectures entirely in the three degrees; if he is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open Lodge, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge. Further, the Master-elect shall be properly certified to conduct the Masonic Funeral Service.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M

/s/ Richard B. Huston

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-10
Amend Section §2514, Qualifications of a Master, H.M.C.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which Resolution No. 2003-10 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend Section §2514, QUALIFICATIONS OF MASTER, by inserting the phrase “as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open lodge” immediately after “Degree of Master Mason” in line 9 of said Section.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Since this proposed amendment provides additional clarification to the subject Section, your Committee **recommends approval** of this resolution.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, this Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-10

(H.M.C. Section 2514. Qualifications of Master.)

The proposed change is a valid addition to the H.M.C. H.M.C. Section §2668 addresses the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft proficiency in open Lodge, but the H.M.C. is silent on the manner of how and where the Master Mason proficiency is taken. It has been normal practice that the Master Mason proficiency be given at a Stated Meeting; this practice is not followed in all instances.

The Ritual Committee recommends the phrase “....of such proficiency in open Lodge,” be changed to “....of such proficiency in a Stated Meeting,” and subsequent passage at the Annual Communication.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-11 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2516 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that before a Senior Warden-elect can be installed, there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Senior Warden-elect and that he is qualified to give the work and lectures of the First and Second Degrees; and

WHEREAS, Section §2516 also provides that if the Senior Warden-elect is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2516 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2516. QUALIFICATIONS OF SENIOR WARDEN. Before a Senior Warden-elect can be installed there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Senior Warden-elect and that he is qualified to give the work of the lectures of the First and Second Degrees; if he is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open Lodge, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NO. 2003-11
(H.M.C. Section 2516. Qualifications of Senior Warden.)**

The proposed change is a valid addition to the H.M.C. H.M.C. Section §2668 addresses the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft proveniences in open Lodge, but the H.M.C. is silent on the manner of how and where the Master Mason proficiency is taken. It has been normal practice that the Master Mason proficiency be given at a Stated Meeting; this practice is not followed in all instances.

The Ritual Committee recommends the phrase "...of such proficiency in open Lodge," be changed to "...of such proficiency in a Stated Meeting," and subsequent passage at the Annual Communication.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-11
Amend Section 2516, Qualifications of Senior Warden, H.M.C.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which Resolution No. 2003-11 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend Section §2516, QUALIFICATIONS OF SENIOR WARDEN, by inserting the phrase “as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open lodge” immediately after “Degree of Master Mason” in line 10 of said Section.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Since this proposed amendment provides additional clarification to the subject Section, your Committee recommends approval of this resolution.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-12 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2518 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that before a Junior Warden-elect can be installed, there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he as personally examined such Junior Warden-elect and that he is qualified to give the work and lectures of the First Degree; and

WHEREAS, Section §2518 also provides that if the Junior Warden-elect is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2518 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2518. QUALIFICATIONS OF JUNIOR WARDEN. Before a Junior Warden-elect can be installed there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Junior Warden-elect and that he is qualified to give the work of the lectures of the First Degree; if he is to be installed on or after May 20, 1989, that he has received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open Lodge, and that he is thoroughly proficient in those portions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which relate to the government of a Lodge.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSTION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-12
(H.M.C. Section §2518. Qualifications of Junior Warden.)**

The proposed change is a valid addition to the H.M.C. H.M.C. Section §2668 addresses the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft proficiency in open Lodge, but the H.M.C. is silent on the manner of how and where the Master Mason proficiency is taken. It has been normal practice that the Master Mason proficiency be given at a Stated Meeting; this practice is not followed in all instances.

The Ritual Committee recommends the phrase "...of such proficiency in open Lodge," be changed to "...of such proficiency in a Stated Meeting," and subsequent passage at the Annual Communication.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-12
Amend Section §2518, Qualifications of Junior Warden, H.M.C.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which Resolution No. 2003-12 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend Section §2518, QUALIFICATIONS OF JUNIOR WARDEN, by inserting the phrase “as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open lodge” immediately after “Degree of Master Mason” in line 10 of said Section.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Since this proposed amendment provides additional clarification to the subject Section, your Committee recommends approval of this resolution.

To place the matter fore the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S.A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-13 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2520 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that before a Senior Deacon appointed can be installed, there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he as personally examined such Senior Deacon-Appointed and that he is qualified to give his work, and in particular, the lecture of the Second Degree; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Deacon must be duly qualified to ascend to the position of the Junior Warden, in the event of the latter officer's inability to perform his duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2520 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2520. QUALIFICATIONS OF SENIOR DEACON. Before a Senior Deacon appointed can be installed there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Senior Deacon Appointed; and that he is qualified to give his work, and in particular the lecture of the Second Degree. Moreover, he must also be duly qualified to ascend to the position of the Junior Warden, in the event of the latter officer's inability to perform his duties. Accordingly, he must, at a minimum, have received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in open Lodge.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M

/s/ Richard B. Huston

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-13
(H.M.C. Section §2520. Qualifications of Senior Deacon)**

This resolution proposes two separate changes to the qualification of the Senior Deacon-Appointee.

First, it proposes that the Senior Deacon-Appointee be qualified to assume the position of Junior Warden. There are two basic flaws to that proposal:

A. It transcends the split/dividing line between elective and appointive offices. Although our tradition guides an adequate or well performing Senior Deacon to the elected position of Junior Warden, he has no right to the advancement. A Junior Warden replacement must be elected.

B. The ritual requirements for the Junior Warden to learn are greater than those required for the Senior Deacon; not to mention the Lodge administration knowledge required. To place such a burden on a Senior Deacon-Appointee is unreasonable, particularly when a number of our Lodges have difficulty filling that position as it now stands.

For these reasons the Ritual Committee recommends the
RESOLUTION BE REJECTED AS WRITTEN.

Second, the resolution would codify the requirement of a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason. It has been a long-standing position that all Lodge Officers meet this requirement; this has not been codified nor 'permanently' published. This addition would not adversely change our policy.

It is therefore recommended that before the resolution be brought to a final vote, the wording be amended to read:

SECTION §2520. QUALIFICATION OF SENIOR DEACON. Before a Senior Deacon appointed can be installed, there shall be presented to the installing officer the certificate of either the Grand Lecturer, the Assistant Grand Lecturer of the District in which his Lodge is situated, or the Inspector of the District in which his Lodge is situated, certifying that he has personally examined such Senior Deacon Appointed; and that he is qualified to give his work, and in particular the Lecture of the Second Degree. He must also have received a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason, as proper testimony of his demonstration of such proficiency in a Stated Meeting.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-13
Amend Section §2520, Qualifications of Senior Deacon, H.M.C.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which Resolution No. 2003-13 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend Section 2520, QUALIFICATIONS OF SENIOR DEACON, to be duly qualified to ascend to the position of Junior Warden, in the event of the latter officer's inability to perform his duties, by receiving a certificate of proficiency in the Candidate's Lecture of the Degree of Master Mason.

Your Committee finds that the legislation, as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent lodges, is **not** adequate to carry out the intent of the proponents. This resolution seeks to amend the constitution and ordinances, and a two-thirds affirmative vote is required for adoption.

As stated in our report on Resolution No. 2003-09, the proponents have mistakenly assumed that the Senior Deacon would necessarily fill a vacancy in the Junior Warden's station and have failed to recognize the special election procedures outlined in Section §2502. They have also failed to address in this proposed resolution the additional qualifications of a Junior Warden, as pointed out in our previous report. Therefore, for the same reasons given against the adoption of Resolution No. 2003-09, your Committee **recommends disapproval** of this resolution.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-14
(Duplicate 2003-06)**

Withdrawn

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-15 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2644 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that the ballot box shall be prepared by placing therein a sufficient number of cubes and white balls, one-third of the whole number being cubes; and

WHEREAS, a determination of said sufficient number of cubes and white balls must be established.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2644 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2644. BALLOTING. The ballot box shall be prepared by placing therein a sufficient number of cubes and white balls, one-third of the whole number being cubes. Specifically, the number of white balls should be adequate to represent all members present, based on a count in the Tiler's register provided the Master prior to the balloting by either the Senior Deacon or the Tiler. The ballot box shall be suitably lined so as to deaden the sound of the fall of the cubes or balls to insure the secrecy of the ballot. It shall then be presented to the Master for inspection. If the report of the committee, or a majority thereof, be favorable, and no objection has been made by any member of the Lodge, a secret ballot shall be had at once, without any postponement, by use of cubes and white balls.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-15
(H.M.C. Section 2644. Balloting.)**

It is the Master's responsibility ("The Buck Stops Here.") that the ballot box be properly prepared. This includes the ration of balls to cubes and a normally sufficient number of balls. With that knowledge, if an unusually high attendance is present he can instruct the brethren to 'passively vote' if they cannot find the proper ballot.

The resolution if passed could lead to excessively crowded ballot boxes or new and larger ballot boxes. The resolution also calls into play a lack of trust or integrity in the members of the Lodge.

The intent of this section of the H.M.C. is considered to include any Member's right to cast the 'cube' by not limiting the cube availability.

The Ritual Committee recommends this resolution be rejected.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

**RESOLUTION 2003-15
Amend Section §2644, Balloting, H.M.C.**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution 2003-15 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of the Resolution seeks to have sufficient number of cubes and white balls to adequately represent all members present on the ballot box before voting.

As stated in the attached Ritual Committee's report, the matter of Lodge voting will become UNWIELDY and may cause unwarranted and unnecessary problems.

Further, the resolution tends to usurp the duties and power of the Master of the Lodge.

For the above reasons, the Committee recommends that the Grand Master declare this Resolution out-of-order.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-16 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2646 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that every member of a Lodge, when present, must vote upon a ballot for the degrees or for affiliation; and

WHEREAS, Section §2646 also provides that the Master should not permit anyone to enter or retire from the Lodge room during a ballot, or after the announcement of the report of the investigating committee and the direction of the ballot, except for sickness or other imperative reason, provided, however, that the entrance of members at the conclusion of an initial ballot, a single cube appearing, should not be allowed to interfere with the taking of a second ballot to correct a possible mistake; and

WHEREAS, Section §2646 also provides the Lodge room does not include the Tiler's room or preparation room; and

WHEREAS, there must be adequate and easy methodology available to the Master that will assure him that all members present voted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2646 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2646. MEMBERS PRESENT MUST VOTE. Every member of a Lodge, when present, without exception, must vote upon a ballot for the degrees or for affiliation. The Master should not permit anyone to enter or retire from the Lodge room during a ballot, or after the announcement of the report of the

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-16
(H.M.C. Section §2646. Members Present Must Vote.)**

This resolution calls into play a lack of trust in the integrity of the members of the Lodge. Further, without the implementation of Resolution Number 2003-15 this could be impossible to implement in the Lodge.

If all of the members present who are eligible to vote approach the ballot box and at least go through the motions of voting, that fact alone is sufficient to declare a valid vote.

The Ritual Committee recommends this resolution be rejected.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-16
Amend Section §2646, Members Present Must Vote, H.M.C.**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-16 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents of this resolution seeks to have the Master, after balloting, to compare the total of white balls and black cubes with the number of members present.

The Ritual Committee objects to this Resolution to a lack of trust in the integrity of the Lodge.

This Committee agrees with this objection and for the reasons stated in Resolution No. 2003-15, recommends that the Grand Master declare this Resolution out-of-order.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION 2003-17 - RULED OUT OF ORDER
AMEND SECTION §2648, PROCEDURE ON BALLOTING, H.M.C.

WHEREAS, Section §2648 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that before the ballot is taken there may be such discussion of the qualifications of the applicant and of the propriety of receiving him into the Lodge as may seem proper; and

WHEREAS, Section §2648 also provides that if during the balloting, objection be made that the ballot box is not properly prepared, the Master must, before announcing the result of the ballot, examine it, and if not properly prepared, he must at once rectify the error and have a proper ballot taken; and

WHEREAS, the balloting process must be conducted with proper dignity and decorum,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2648 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

Section §2648. PROCEDURE ON BALLOTING. Before the ballot is taken there may be such discussion of the qualifications of the applicant and of the propriety of receiving him into the Lodge as may seem proper. If during the balloting, objection be made that the ballot box is not properly prepared, the Master must, before announcing the result of the ballot, examine it, and if not properly prepared, he must at once rectify the error and have a proper ballot taken.

Section §2648a. While balloting is in progress, everyone in attendance, including visiting Brethren, shall maintain silence and keep casual conversations amongst themselves to the very minimum, if unable to stop its occurrence altogether. They must also remain seated, unless on their way to the Altar to vote, and similarly maintain silence while awaiting their turn to vote. They should also remain in their seats, and avoid unnecessary movement about the Lodge.

Section §2648b. Each Brother gives the dg and sgn before casting their ballot, returning to their seats when done. Each deposits his ballot, remembering that the ballot is an invaluable secret and that the ballot box is never the proper place to exhibit personal animosities toward an individual within or without the Lodge, and, further, that the ceremony attending the casting of the ballot is equivalent to a sacred promise to cast it in accordance with one's obligation.

Section §2648c. The order of balloting shall be:

1. After the Master and the Wardens have cast their ballots, and the Senior Deacon has placed the ballot box at the Altar, the Senior Deacon shall stand three paces west and on the north of the Altar and see that only one Brother at a time approaches the Altar for balloting.

2. The Master shall then call all members present, in the usual manner, in accordance with the cipher ritual, to approach the Altar and deposit their ballots.

3. The Brethren on the South, led by the Secretary shall vote first. The Junior Deacon shall be the last Brother to vote on the South

4. When all on the South have voted, then the Treasurer starts, with the other Brethren on the North following.
5. If the Tiler is a member of the Lodge, the Master shall direct the Junior Deacon to relieve him in order that he may vote. The Junior Deacon shall go out of the door without alarm and remain outside until the Tiler returns. These shall be conducted after all Brethren on the North have voted.
6. The Senior Deacon votes last.
7. On seeing that the Senior Deacon has voted, the Master shall declare the balloting closed and proceeds in the usual manner in accordance with the cipher ritual.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, PM

/s/ Richard B. Huston

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-17
(H.M.C. Section §2648. Procedure on Balloting.)**

First, this resolution attempts to codify a part of our ritualistic procedures on balloting. Such detail should have no place in our law.

Second, our time-honored balloting procedures are well understood and well accepted by the Masons of this jurisdiction. There is not offered any justification for changing them to conform with the procedures of one or more other jurisdictions as proposed in the resolution. Without any supporting rationale, this appears to be 'change for change's sake.'

The Ritual Committee strongly recommends the resolution be rejected.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

Jurisprudence Committee

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-17
Amend Section §2648, Procedure on Balloting, H.M.C.**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution 2003-17 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponents seek to codify our ritualistic procedures on balloting. The ritualistic matters are within the purview, function and jurisdiction of the Ritual Committee and should not be codified.

The proponents by this Resolution is attempting to change our rituals to conform our ritual to that of other jurisdictions.

The Committee agrees with the objections of the Ritual Committee, which is attached hereto, and recommends that the Grand Master declare this Resolution out of order.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-18

(duplicate 2003-05)

Section §2668. ADVANCEMENT

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investigating committee and the direction of the ballot, except for sickness or other imperative reason, provided, however, that the entrance of members at the conclusion of an initial ballot, a single cube appearing, should not be allowed to interfere with the taking of a second ballot to correct a possible mistake. The Master must compare the total of white balls, and black cubes, if there by any, returned at the conclusion of balloting, with the number of members present provided him earlier by either the Senior Deacon or the Tiler, in accordance with §2644, and confirm that all members present have voted as evidenced by an exact match of these two numbers.

The "Lodge room" ~~does not include~~ the Tiler's room, but not the or preparation room.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-19 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section §2688o of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that the relocation of the Candidate's chair for lectures is not a change in Ritual; and

WHEREAS, Section §2688o also provides that it is within the reasonable discretion of the Committee on Ritual to determine the placement of the Candidate for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, Masonic traditions inform us that the Worshipful Master receives the Light from the Volume of the Sacred Law; and

WHEREAS, Masonic traditions inform us that the space between the Altar and the East is never to be crossed in order that the Light from the Volume of the Sacred Law the Worshipful Master is dependent on might not be disturbed, active floor-work during degree works excepted; and

WHEREAS, our Masonic teachings inform us that candidates are placed in the northeast corner of the Lodge that he might be near the Worshipful Master, to receive the necessary instructions whereupon to erect his future moral and Masonic edifice; and

WHEREAS, our Masonic teachings and traditions must be consistent with our practice thereof.

**RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-19
(H.M.C. Section 2688o. Location of Candidates during Lectures)**

The rationale in the resolution addresses "...active floor-work during degree works ...". As there is no clear and accepted delineation in our ritual on types of 'floor-work', we consider the rationale faulted. We have traditionally used the area between the Altar and the East in our ritual. Examples of that include the lectures presented to the candidate, the candidate's proficiency, and the presentation of golden veterans awards. This location provides special dignity to these activities. We do not consider the proposed change to be advantageous to our ceremonies.

Further, the resolution, if accepted, would reduce the difference between our Masonic Law and our ritual.

The Ritual Committee recommends the resolution be rejected.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

Jurisprudence Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-19

Amend Section §2688(o), H.M.C. in its placement of the Candidate's chair for lecture

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-19 has been referred, reports as follows:

Ritualistic matters are within the purview, function and jurisdiction of the Ritual Committee and should not be codified.

The Committee, therefore, recommends that the Grand Master declare this Resolution out of order.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2688o of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

§2688o. Location of candidates during lectures. ~~The relocation of the Candidates chair for lectures is not a change in Ritual and it is within the reasonable discretion of the Committee on Ritual to determine the placement of the Candidate for this purpose.~~ The Candidate's chair for lectures should be placed in the northeast corner of the Lodge, between the Senior Deacon and the Altar, and not between the East and the Altar.

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-20 - RULED OUT OF ORDER

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Hawaii:

WHEREAS, Section 2690 of the Hawaii Masonic Code provides that the Grand Lodge alone has the power to authorize any changes in ritual for the purpose of having it remain as it was handed down from time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, Section 2690 also provides that any change in the ritual published by the authority of the Grand Lodge requires approval by the same voted as provided by Sections 4002 and 4004 of the Hawaii Masonic Code; and

WHEREAS, the apron lecture of the Entered Apprentice, in accordance with, and as printed in, the current approved cipher ritual, containing the Copyright 1990 and thereafter, could be enhanced and made more meaningful and inspiring to the Brethren, especially the Candidate; and

WHEREAS, the current approved cipher ritual, containing the Copyright 1990 and thereafter, must provide additional helpful information to newly initiated Candidates; and

WHEREAS, the word, given to newly passed Candidates, in the Middle Chamber lecture of the Fellowcraft Degree, as it is taught on the five steps, in accordance with the current approved cipher ritual, containing the Copyright 1990 and thereafter, needs to be accurate and in accordance with the rest of the teachings of said Degree; and

WHEREAS, the apron lecture of the Master Mason Degree, traditionally given the Candidate by the Senior Warden, as part of said Degree, needs to be brought back as not only does it enhance, and makes the work more meaningful, but, also, especially gives a valuable and inspiring lesson to the Brethren, particularly the Candidate; and

WHEREAS, the current approved cipher ritual, containing the Copyright 1990 and thereafter, requires the Candidate to commit to memory "a portion of the Lecture," without specifically requiring him to commit to memory "the obligation," of the Degree just conferred upon him, before he can be advanced to the next, higher Degree; and

WHEREAS, our teaching informing us that Masons meet on the level must be practiced, specifically during the closing of the Lodge.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section 2690 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended, with the inclusion of the following subsections thereto:

§2690a. Make the following additions to the cipher ritual:

§2690b. Entered Apprentice Degree

§2690b.1. Apron Lecture: “***” (Master proceeds in the usual manner, then momentarily pauses after the phrase ‘by King, Prince, Potentate, or any other person’) Add: ‘It may be that in the coming years, upon your head shall rest the laurel wreath of victory, upon your breast may hang jewels fit to grace the diadem of an eastern potentate; nay more than these, with light added to the coming light, your ambitious feet may tread round after round the ladder that leads to fame in your mystic circle and even the purple of our Fraternity may rest upon your honored shoulders. But never again from mortal hands, never again until your enfranchised spirit shall have passed upward and inward through the Pearly Gates, shall any honor so distinguished, so emblematical or purity and all perfections, be bestowed upon you as this which I now confer. It is yours – your name is (or, your name will be) written upon it – yours to wear

throughout an honorable life and at your death to be placed upon the coffin which shall contain your earthly remains and with them laid beneath the silent clods of the valley.,

Let its pure and spotless surface be to you an ever-present reminder of an emblematical or unblemished purity of life and rectitude of conduct, a never-ending argument for nobler deeds, for higher thoughts, for purer actions, and for greater achievements. And when at last your weary feet shall have come to the end of their toilsome journey, and from your nerveless grasp shall drop forever the working tools of life, may the record of your life and actions be as pure and spotless as this fair emblem which I now place in your hands. (Master comes down on the level and places Apron in Candidate’s hands.) And when your trembling soul shall stand naked before the Great White Throne, there to receive judgment for the deeds done while in the body, may it be your portion to hear from Him who sitteth as the Judge Supreme, the welcome words: “Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

and which it is hoped, my Brother, that you will wear your apron with pleasure to yourself and honor to the Fraternity.”

§2690b.2. Following the initiation ceremony, the candidate should be informed concerning:

- a. Brethren assigned as coaches;
- b. Other references from whom he may request assistance or advice;
- c. Those who may be recognized as Freemasons;
- d. Visiting other Lodges;
- e. The nature of Freemasonry’s obligations. In particular, the candidate should be impressed with the figurative nature of the ancient obligations, and informed that the only penalties currently imposed are reprimand, suspension and expulsion;
- f. Lodge courtesies and protocol;
- g. Such other information as the WM deems necessary.

§2690c, Fellowcraft Degree. In the Middle Chamber Lecture, on the five steps, the word is “- - - -,” and not, “- - - - -,” as the latter, in fact, is the pass – as is later confirmed in the South.

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§2690d. Master Mason Degree.

§2690d.1. Apron Lecture. The Senior Deacon, after teaching the candidate how to wear his apron as a Master Mason, and before reconducting him to the WM, insert, "My Brother, let the lessons of the apron lectures sink deeply into your hear. You should never put on this badge and enter a Lodge, in which there is a Brother with whom you are at variance or against whom you entertain animosity. Should you find yourself about to take such a step, it becomes your duty to ask the Brother to withdraw in order that you may amicably settle your differences. When this is happily effected, you may clothe yourselves, enter the Lodge, and work with that love and harmony which should at all times characterize Freemasons. But, if unfortunately, your differences are of such a nature as not to be so easily adjusted, it is better that one, or both you retire than that the harmony of the Lodge be disturbed by your presence."

§2690e. All Degrees .

§2690e.1. Following the candidate's initiation, passing, and/or raising, "before you can be (passed, raised) it will be necessary . . . to commit to memory the obligation and a portion of the lecture"...

§2690e.2. Closing. All must come down on the level. The WM, together with the Wardens, walks to the Altar and stops for an instant near it. They then advance together as EAMs (FCMs, Mms, depending on the degree the Lodge is in), forming a triangle, after which the WM asks, "Br SW, hw shd Ms mt: and so forth."

Proponents:

/s/ Antonio M. Ligaya, P.M.

/s/ Richard B. Huston

RITUAL COMMITTEE POSITION ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 2003-20

(H.M.C. Section 2690. Change of Ritual.)

This resolution would codify and change portions of our ritual. The addition of part of our ritual into Masonic Law will shade the separation of law and ritual.

Some of the changes proposed will add memory work required for some officer advancement. With many Lodges struggling to maintain qualified officer lineups, additional required memory work is ill-advised.

Some of the proposed changes would add ritual from other jurisdictions. The information proposed for Section §2690b.2 presents some important points that are often left unspoken but should be provided to our candidates; those portions could be incorporated into the Candidate's written study work or added to the Monitor and Officers' Manual.

The Ritual Committee recommends the resolution be rejected and turned over to the Ritual Committee for further study and recommended additions in the proper material.

/s/ David W. Nightingale
Grand Lecturer, and
Chairman, Ritual Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-20

To amend Section §2690, H.M.C. by Codifying the Cipher Ritual and Adding Additional Lectures to our Present Approved Cipher Ritual, Copyrighted in 1990

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-20 has been referred, reports as follows:

The esoteric work of the craft is under the jurisdiction of the Ritual Committee; the Grand Lecturer and the Assistant Grand Lecturers. See Section 1235, H.M.C.

In its committee report to the Jurisprudence Committee regarding the resolutions, the Committee states that the resolution “pertains to ritualistic matters, and if approved, they should not be codified; they should become additions or changes to the Cipher and/or the Monitor and Officers’ Manual.” The resolution “appear to be attempts to change our ritual to conform with the way it is done in other jurisdictions.”

“Additionally, any additions to the memory work should be optional rather than mandatory changes.” See attached report from the Grand Lecturer.

The Ritual Committee has voiced its opposition to the Resolution.

This Resolution seeks to amend an Ordinance and a two-thirds vote for adoption is required.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION 2003-21

Duplicate Resolution 2003-17

“PROCEDURE ON BALLOTING”

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-22

Housekeeping - Section §2318 - word omitted: "Lodge" PASSED

WHEREAS Section §2318. EXPENDITURES FOR REQUIRED PROGRAM is printed in the HMC as follows, and

WHEREAS in the third paragraph, fourth word from the left "Individual" should be followed by the word "lodge"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Section §2318 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as marked:

Section §2318. EXPENDITURES FOR REQUIRED PROGRAM. The expenditure of funds for any program required by the Grand Lodge, or the Grand master shall be deemed to part of the necessary expenses of the lodge.

The cost of a United States flag and it's staff and/or the cost of a cornerstone to be presented to a school or a school facility, at the laying of a cornerstone or a dedication under the Grand Lodge auspices and Masonic Ceremonies, is a proper lodge expense as a part of a Grand Lodge program as is the cost of a prize of nominal value to winners of contests related to public schools week or Constitution week programs wether such prize to be awarded to the winner personally or to a school library in his name.

In addition, an individual lodge may establish a scholarship program for the awarding of financial aid to worthy students using lodge funds therefore provided, that all such scholarship shall be within the financial capabilities of the lodge and in no event shall any such award adversely affect the financial integrity of the lodge or be in violation of any provision of this code or impair the capability of the lodge to carry out the charitable obligations of the lodge or Grand Lodge mandated programs.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED _____ 2002

/S/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-22

To Correct a Typographical Error of a Missing Word to Section §2318, H.M.C.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to which Resolution No. 2003-22 has been referred, reports as follows:

The proponent seeks to correct a clerical error wherein the third paragraph of said Section §2318, H.M.C., is missing the word "Lodge."

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii has adopted the California Masonic Code of 1989 and upon review of said Section §2318, the word "Lodge" is missing from said paragraph.

Therefore, the third paragraph of Section §2318, H.M.C. should begin to read as follows, "In addition, an individual Lodge may . . ."

The Committee finds that the legislation as distributed by the Grand Secretary to the constituent Lodges is adequate to carry out the intent of the proponent.

This resolution is a housekeeping resolution to correct a typographical error and involves no amendment to the Constitution or Ordinances and only a majority vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Committee members:

Paul D. Jones, PGM
Herbert G. Gardiner, PGS
Dexter Lum, PM
Dennis S. A. Ing, PM
Randy T. S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary, Ex-officio

RESOLUTION 2003-23 DEFEATED

LIMITING VOTES OF PLURAL MEMBERS TO ONLY ONE LODGE DURING ANY YEAR

Plural members are those who belong to more than one Lodge in this jurisdiction, either as original members or as affiliates. Without judging the merits of this quite common practice, the proponent of this proposed resolution have observed the great potential for conflicts to arise when one belongs to two or more Lodges.

For example, a question may come before two different Lodges as to whether they should purchase a piece of property for Temple expansion. One Lodge may favor such a purchase, and the other may not. There is nothing in the HMC which would prevent affiliated members from lobbying for a particular position, attending a stated meeting in force and controlling the vote. (This is sometimes called "electioneering," and is prohibited under the HMC only with respect to Grand Lodge matters.)

Similarly, a number of Lodges currently have low membership or low attendance, or both. It would be a simple matter for affiliated members to take over such Lodges.

Perhaps this is as it should be -- survival of the fittest, so to speak. However, we suggest that such occurrences would weaken the fraternity as a whole by creating and fostering disharmony. Indeed, it might even cause Lodges to limit the number of affiliated members on its rolls.

No affiliated member should vote on any matter which directly or indirectly benefits or adversely affects any other Lodge in this jurisdiction of which he is a member. While one may dedicate himself to Masonic principles and vote for what is in the best interest of his Lodge, two perfectly reasonable and right-thinking men may differ on what that "best interest" may be under the circumstances. As the old adage goes: "No man can serve two Masters at the same time."

To avoid this potential situation, this proposed legislation will limit the rights of an affiliated member to vote in more than one Lodge by requiring him to determine at the beginning of each term which Lodge he chooses to become involved in as a voting member. He may choose to participate in fiscal matters affecting his mother Lodge during the year, or he may decide to become more involved in the affairs of his affiliate lodge. He may not, however, vote in more than one Lodge during that term.

This proposal requires the member to inform the Secretary of the affiliate Lodge on or before January 1, that he wishes to vote in that Lodge, whereupon the Secretary shall inform all other affected Lodges that the brother will be a voting member of that Lodge. This limitation shall not apply to voting upon an application for Degrees.

It should be pointed out that one's voting rights are not taken away. They are merely limited to one Lodge at a time.. Thus, it promotes true concern for that Lodge and avoids all potential conflicts of interest among the Lodges of which he is a member.

ACCORDINGLY, we propose an amendment to HMC Section 2402, as follows (*deleted material is crossed out, new material is underscored*):

SECTION 2402. MULTIPLE-MEMBERSHIP. This Grand Lodge recognizes and authorizes membership in more than one Lodge under the following conditions:

1. A member of a Lodge of this jurisdiction or another Grand Lodge which allows dual membership may affiliate with one or more Lodges in that jurisdiction while retaining his membership in this Jurisdiction. He becomes a dual member.

2. A member of a Lodge of any other Grand Jurisdiction which allows dual membership may affiliate with one or more Lodges under this Grand Lodge while retaining his membership in such other jurisdiction. He becomes a dual member.

3. A member, in good standing, of a Lodge in this jurisdiction may retain such membership and affiliate with any one or more other Lodges under this Grand Lodge or join in a petition for a dispensation for a new Lodge and may present a paid up dues receipt in lieu of a demit or demand for demit. Such a member becomes a plural member.

4. Upon election of a multiple member or the formation of a new Lodge containing one or more multiple members, the Secretary shall immediately notify the Grand Secretary and also every other Lodge in which a multiple member holds membership.

5. A multiple member shall pay all dues required by each lodge wherein membership is held and shall have all the rights and privileges of membership in each of the Lodges except that:

(a) he shall not be Master, Warden, Treasurer or Secretary of more than one of such Lodges at the same time; ~~and except that~~

(b) the burden of the relief of a multiple member, his wife, widow and orphans shall rest on the Lodges in which he holds membership in proportion to the length of membership in each; and

(c) a plural member may vote in only one Lodge in this jurisdiction, and if he desires to switch his voting privileges to another Lodge, he must first inform the Secretary of that Lodge in writing prior to January 1 of the year in which he intends to switch his voting privileges; whereupon the Secretary of that Lodge shall so inform all other Lodges of which the brother is also a member; provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any election upon an application for Degrees, as to which all members in good standing, affiliated or otherwise, may vote.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED _____, 2002.

/S/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM

**REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-23

LIMITING THE VOTE OF PLURAL MEMBERS WHEN THEY HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Hawaii:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2003-23 has been referred, reports as follows:

This proposal amends HMC Section §2402. First, it adds the Treasurer to the elected officers who cannot serve in such capacity in two different Lodges at the same time. Presently, only the Master, Wardens and Secretary are so prohibited.

Second, the proposal would limit the rights of an affiliated member to vote on matters where there is a conflict of interest which directly or indirectly benefits or adversely affects another Lodge of which he is a member. However, this restriction will not affect the plural member's right to vote in his mother Lodge.

The proponents point out that the plural membership is a growing phenomenon in Hawaii, and that eventually it may lead to disharmony and the possibility of a Lodge limiting affiliated memberships. They give examples of how voting in one Lodge may either benefit or adversely affect another Lodge to which the plural member may belong. This potential for conflict of interest should not exist.

Your Committee believes that the proposed amendment is in proper form and is consistent with the stated purposes of its proponents. It also is consistent with the present Code.

As this resolution seeks to amend the Code, a 2/3 vote is required for adoption.

To place the matter before the Grand Lodge, the Committee moves for a vote on the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Ernest Y. Yamane, PGM, *Chair*

Paul D. Jones, PGM
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Randy T.S. Chang, PGM, Grand Secretary (*ex*)
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Treasurer's Report

Most Worshipful Sirs, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Visitors and Brethren: It is my pleasure to report the Financial Status of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii. The first 2 years of the millennium have proven very difficult for the Grand Lodge. Our equities, considering the prevailing marketing conditions, the performance of the Grand Lodge funds is not favorable. While it was a good year for the bonds, we do not have bonds to offset our losses in equities. Our investments suffered a second year loss of \$32,984.00. Although it is only a paper loss, I had to make adjustments to reflect the current value of our investments. Dividends received from Vanguard & Neuberger-Berman Guardian Fund were automatically converted to shares of stocks.

The following is a list of the General Investment accounts as of December 31, 2002.

1. Vanguard Windson ** Fund (Acct. 9892298380)		
Beg. Balance - January 1, 2002 (cost/share \$25.59)	\$85,785.59	
Ending Balance - December 31, 2002 (Mkt Value)		\$71,320.06
Total No. Shares: (cost/share \$20.80)	3428.849	
2. Vanguard Windson ** Fund (Acct. 9892298393)		
Beg. Balance - January 1, 2002 (cost/share \$25.01)	\$22,741.63	
Ending Balance - December 31, 2002 (Mkt Value)		\$18,906.83
Total No. Shares: (cost/share \$20.80)	908.982	
3. Neuberger Berman Guardian Fund		
Beg. Balance - January 1, 2002 (cost/share \$14.44)	\$48,897.35	
Ending Balance - December 31, 2002 (Mkt Value)		\$36,307.71
Total No. Shares: (cost/share \$10.62)		
4. Sears Common Stock:		
Shares: 200		
Market Value, December 31, 2002		\$ 6,012.00
	Total Equities:	\$132,546.60

Donations and Contributions

Our Donations and Contributions composed of Building Fund Donations, Hawaii Masonic Foundation Donations and Miscellaneous Contributions. Total Donations received for the year is \$9,071.04. The bulk of the donations came from the sale of pins. (Flag Pins with Square and Compass.)

Unfortunately our donations for the year 2002 are down by \$1,655.43 or 15%.

Per Capita (Lodge)

Total per Capita collected is \$45,649 representing 100% collection for the year 2002. This also represents 5.6% less than the previous year (Year 2001 = \$48,347).

In the fiscal year 2002, our Executive Board was very conscientious in making decisions regarding the expenditure of Grand Lodge funds. Following are the major expenses incurred by the Grand Lodge:

Tax Expenses

Grand Lodge of Hawaii was penalized for late filing of income tax returns for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000. \$5,000.00 was paid to IRS to settle the penalty. Our income tax returns for 2001 and 2002 were timely filed.

Printing Expenses

Expenses for the previous years (2000 and 2001 were charged and paid only during 2002. Starting year 2002, proceedings and other major printing expenses were done in-house through the use of copier, new computer and printer.

Telephone Expenses

Starting 2002, the monthly cost for telephone decreased from \$380 per month to \$260 per month. One telephone line was cancelled and internet fee is integrated to the remaining telephone bill.

Travel & Entertainment

For the year 2002, Grand Lodge was able to cut the Travel expenses. Compared to Masonic Year 2001, our travel expenses were trimmed down by \$12,923.80 (45%). Total Travel Expenses for the Masonic Year is \$15,283.28 compared to \$28,207.08 for Masonic Year 2001.

Rental Expenses

At present, Grand Lodge of Hawaii is paying \$833.33 every month. As of June 2003 our rent will climb to \$1257.60 representing 51% increase; \$1336 per month starting June 2004 and \$1414.80 per month starting June 2005. This will continue to be a big burden to the Grand Lodge for the coming years. Immediate action is needed to avoid depletion of our funds by rental overhead alone.

While it is too early to predict what will happen in the coming months, the Executive Board will closely monitor the situation as it develops and make appropriate adjustments to the investment portfolio and expenses as warranted.

First Charity Golf Tournament

Receipts:

Advertising		
Pfizer	\$1,000.00	
C & S Services	\$1,500.00	
American Standard	\$ 500.00	
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<u>Total Advertising</u>		\$3,000.00
Green Fees		\$2,625.00
21 players @ \$125.00		
Hole in One Fees		\$ 295.00
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<u>Total Receipts</u>		\$5,920.00
<u>Expenses</u>		
Coral Creek Golf Course	\$4,200.00	
(70 players @ \$60.00)		
Prizes	\$ 675.00	
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<u>Total Expenses</u>		\$4,875.00
<u>Net Income:</u>		\$1,045.00

Thank you for allowing me to serve the Grand Lodge during the past. I hope to be of further service in the years ahead.

Jorge H. Disuanco
Grand Treasurer

Grand Lodge Oration

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished East, Honored Guests:

I have been asked to announce that if any of you have to make a phone call, go to the bathroom, or have a smoke, now would be a good time, because nothing really important will be happening for the next fifteen to twenty minutes. It's just time for me to give the annual Oration. So if you have anything really important to do or want to take a little catnap, go right ahead You won't hurt my feelings. You have been listening to my rumblings off and on for the last eight years, and I doubt that I will say anything today which you have not heard before.

In my first oration I said that there were two ways to succeed in any endeavor. One way was to study and work hard to improve yourself and strive for excellence. The other was to lower your standards and expectations so that anybody could meet them without really trying. Of course any so called "success" achieved following the second way would be a farce and be meaningless. I cautioned against lowering the standards of Masonry to the point where it became just another club to join and of no real importance.

In my second oration I pointed out that many brothers considered our ritual to be nothing more than a bunch of archaic words that no one understood and which really were not important anyway. I challenged you to take a closer look at those words and their meanings, and to incorporate them into your daily lives.

Those were extremely turbulent times in Hawaii Masonry, when people who had different opinions and styles got carried away by the discordant passions within them, and, instead of working together in harmony, both sides said and did things to fan the flames, and several dedicated, hard-working, but perhaps misguided masons were brought up on charges, and expelled from the fraternity; and the animosity contributed to the premature death of several good men.

"Brotherly Love?" "Harmony?" "Toleration?" "Prudence?" "Justice?"Are these just empty words? What about circumscribing our desires and keeping our passions within due bounds or whispering good counsel in his ear, gently admonishing him of his error, and striving to bring about a reformation, in the most friendly manner possible? Are these nothing but empty phrases? Our ritual contains the basic precepts and teachings of our Fraternity; this is how they are communicated and grafted into our memories so that we can remember to practice them in our lives. This is why we must work hard and practice to communicate them to the best of our ability.

In my third oration I came from a different direction, and gave a scholarly dissertation on the historic connection between the founding of Freemasonry and the Order of the Knights Templar of the Crusades, as a result of oppression and persecution by the royal and religious authorities, and of the continuing harmony and connection between the Blue Lodge and the York Rite. Then I pointed out that some in Hawaii Masonry also felt oppressed and persecuted because they disagreed with those in authority, and they responded with scorching name calling, accusations,

and trying to get people to “choose sides”, brother against brother. Whatever happened to the basic courtesy of the fraternity and addressing your opponents as “my esteemed or distinguished brother?”

So I offered a few suggestions which I thought might help bridge the gap and strengthen the fraternity. I suggested regular communications from the Grand Lodge to ALL masons, the establishment of a Grand Lodge web page and regular newsletters, the use of e-mail, beefing up Masonic education and schools of instruction, strengthening the Masters and Warden Association, forming a Council of Past Grand Masters for advice, and meeting regularly with the heads of other Masonic affiliated organizations.

In my fourth oration I was pleased to observe that many improvements I had suggested had been made, but that there were still a few symptoms of illness in the fraternity which were keeping us from being a strong, healthy, vibrant organization we could and should be. I addressed problems of attendance, ritual, leadership, good works, communication, etc.

There has been much in the news about the SARS epidemic, and how the Chinese at first tried to deny that there was any sickness, and how it spread to around the world. But now the good news is that once the problem was acknowledged and diagnosed, scientists around the world were able to share knowledge and work on ways to bring it under control and work on a cure. I said that in Hawaii masonry the Hawaiian art of Ho’oponopono, bringing everyone together to reconcile, could be helpful.

In my oration last year, I confessed to being lazy, always trying to find the so-called “easy way” of doing things. But that every time I tried to cut corners, I wound up in more trouble. I said that I was glad to see new lodges being formed, others being resuscitated, and others thriving and robust. One of the determining factors is how much care is taken with the Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts to ensure that they really understand the meanings of our important lessons and symbols, and how to integrate them into their daily lives. If we fail to teach them these valuable lessons, we cannot be surprised if they fall along the wayside. Yes, it takes time and effort, but it bears much more fruit than trying to take the “easy way”.

Brotherly, Love, Relief, and Truth

Our Grand Master Elect, has informed me that the main thrust of his year in office will be to promote these three principal tenets of Masonry: Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. I can think of nothing more important at this stage in the life of our Grand Lodge, because these precepts distinguish Masonry from other social clubs. Masonry makes all men honorable who are strictly obedient to its precepts. Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, together with Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence, and Justice, are considered so important, that we present them to our candidates in the very first degree. If he does not practice these values, everything else is simply “window dressing”. At the risk of stealing a little of his thunder, I would like to comment briefly on these goals.

Brotherly Love

“By the exercise of Brotherly Love we are taught to regard the whole human species as one family, the high and the low, the rich and the poor, who, as created by one Almighty Parent, and inhabitants of the same planet, are to aid, support and protect each other. On this principle Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion, and causes true friendship to exist among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance.”

Never speak ill of another Mason. He is your brother, so he is obviously a “good man and true”, or else he would not have been admitted into the Fraternity in the first place. That is a given! Guard against the vicious practice of name-calling or slander, or impugning someone’s motives. Preserve unsullied the reputation of the Fraternity; don’t put it in a bad light to others. To your inferiors in rank or office you are to recommend obedience and submission; to your equals, courtesy and affability; and to your superiors, kindness and condescension. In opening the Lodge we ask God to subdue every discordant passion within us, and to harmonize and enrich our hearts with his own love and goodness.

Relief

To relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men, but particularly on Masons, who are linked together by an indissoluble chain of sincere affection. To soothe the unhappy, to sympathize with their misfortunes, to compassionate their miseries, and to restore peace to their troubled minds, is the great aim we have in view. On this basis we form our friendships and establish our connections.

Our Grand Master Elect has told me that he plans to reestablish a closer working relationship with the Family Service Center, much like we did under former Grand Master Stuart Cowan. He also wants our Grand Lodges to support and work more closely with the various Masonic Youth organizations. (One way we can do this is by attending the conferral of the DeMolay Chevalier Degree and the Legion of Honor tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. at the Makiki Masonic Temple.) There are many other charitable and philanthropic organizations which could use your support. For example; the Shriners; Hospital for crippled children and burn victims, the Royal Arch Research Foundation for arthritis, the Knights’ Templar Eye Foundation and Education Foundation, the Eastern Star ESTARAL scholarship program, the Scottish Rite school for speech impediments, etc.

We are called to act with our neighbor upon the square, rendering every kind office which justice or mercy may require by relieving his distress and soothing his afflictions, and doing to him as in similar cases you would that he should do unto you.

Truth

Truth is a divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue. To be good and true is the first lesson we are taught in Masonry. On this theme we contemplate and by its dictates endeavor to

regulate our conduct. Hence, while influenced by this principle, hypocrisy and deceit are unknown among us; sincerity and plain dealing distinguish us; and with heart and tongue we join in promoting each other's welfare and rejoicing in each other's prosperity.

As many of you know, in my professional life I work for someone many believe to BE the "Way, the Truth and the Life". His Book rests upon the Altar in all of our lodges as the Great Light in Masonry, to be the rule and guide of our conduct. Therefore, any true Mason will refuse to make innuendos, engage in gossip or exaggeration, and will not talk out of both sides of his mouth, saying one thing and doing another, and will not join in plots against another. A regular daily reading of that book can help us all to discern the real truth, so that we may act accordingly.

I cannot close this discussion of brotherly love, relief and truth without mentioning two men, who, in my humble opinion, truly exemplified these precepts in their daily lives. One was Worshipful James Y. S. Chinn, Past Master of Waikiki Lodge, who was my close friend for fifty years and God Father to my son. I warmed in the rays of his brotherly love. I benefited personally from his compassion and relief, and he always "told it like it was".

The other man was Worshipful Henry Park, Past Master of Ko'olau Lodge. He was my coach and friend. He taught me what Masonry is really all about. He helped me to genuinely love some people I could barely tolerate. He gave unstintingly of himself and everything he had to help anyone in need. And he could tell the truth about your faults or mistakes in such a way that made you thank him for it.

In the past few months I have had the sad duty of conducting Masonic Funerals for both of these men. Whenever I get discouraged or tempted to set aside the teachings of the fraternity and operate according to the lower standards of society, I think of Jimmy and Henry, and try to persevere in the path of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

Rev. John Connell
Grand Orator

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful and Worshipful Grand Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Most Worshipful and Right Worshipful Distinguished guests, members and brethren,

It has been a difficult but rewarding pleasure and honor to serve this Grand Lodge for this first year as Grand Secretary and I submit the following report for your information and consideration.

I must start by thanking the brothers of this Grand Lodge who have permitted me to serve them during the past year as Grand Secretary. I fully understand and appreciate the honor you have bestowed upon me by electing me to serve this office. I thank you for your trust and confidence and I assure you that everything I have done, and every action that I have taken has been with the best interest of the craft in mind.

- 1) To WB Carl Scheer, It is hard to find something new to say that accurately reflects how much I appreciate your presence in the office. Your willingness to assist is always welcome and refreshing.. Thank You Worshipful Brother
- 2) To MW Brother Ernie Yamane, I have learned a lot from you during this past year, and it has become a vital part of my ability to perform my duties in this office. Thank You Most Worshipful Sir. Your services to this Grand Lodge will continue to be appreciated, long after we both are gone.
- 3) To Honorable Brother Jorge Disuanco, Our Grand Treasurer, It has been a pleasure working with you during this past year. I will not try to mention all of the challenges you have faced. I can truly say that this Grand Lodge is in good hands because you don't see problems, only a new challenge.
- 4) To Grand Master Lyle G. Phillips, This has truly been an enjoyable year. We have been together for many years now, since the days of serving as junior officers in our mother lodge .. This has been the first year in our new offices, and it has been very unusual working with you "long distance," however you were always available for advice and decisions. I look forward to working with you in the future in one capacity or another.

Brethren,

As of December 31, 2002, we had 11 regular lodges and 1 under dispensation, and 1906 members, which included Brothers who are members of more than one lodge in this Jurisdiction. During the reported year:

December 31, 2001	2033
2002 Candidates Initiated	43
2002 Candidates Passed	20
2002 Candidates Raised	17
 Total Gains	 2050

2002 Deaths	14
2002 Withdrawals	13
2002 Suspended (N.P.D)	117
2002 Masonic Charges	0
2002 Expulsions	0
December 31, 2002	1906
Members Remitted	20
Collected Per Capita Tax on	1886

The above figures are based on reports received from constituent lodges. As not all lodges turn in their quarterly reports on time or even at all, I cannot guarantee the accuracy of the above.

Although not all 2002 quarterly reports were received, I will not pursue the delinquent lodges because of its irrelevance now. However I am asking the Grand Master, Grand lecturer, and Inspectors to diligently pursue the Lodge Masters and Secretaries and see that the present lodge secretary's turn in the much needed reports on time so that next year these reports can be considered accurate.

As of this date many of our lodges have not turned in their first quarter membership reports for 2003 to this office which was due on April 1st, 2003. . Brother Secretaries, I need these reports as soon as possible for accurate accounting.

Now the meaningful figure, in regard to the number of Masons who are living and active, or at least semi-active in this Jurisdiction. Of the 1906 members we have on the membership roll more than 700 lives in the lower forty-eight, so if Hawaii was to follow the old adage that only 10% of any organization are active, we would come out with 121 members active. Obviously we have a lot more then that attending lodge throughout our state. For that the Masters and his officers are to be congratulated.

Your Grand Lodge is now receiving more communication contacts by E-mail than by telephone or Post Office. I strongly encourage all lodge secretaries to come onboard with electronic report filing and communications. We can now store retrieve, and submit data faster and more efficiently than ever before. We have now various forms and databases available electronically for all secretaries and/or Masters.

Again I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to all who have assisted this office. Your assistance have made it possible for us to continue our great fraternity far into the future. Thank You..

Randy TS Chang, PGM
Grand Secretary, 2002 / 2003

Committee Report on Grand Representatives

Most Worshipful, during the year 2002, the following brethren were requested and appointed to the Grand Representatives to the following Grand Lodges.

Connecticut	Worshipful Brother Dennis Ing, PM
Illinois	Bill Lackland, PM
Indiana	Michael Janovsky
Louisiana	Rex G. Brumley, Jr.
Michigan	A. Lee Skinner
Montana	G. Richard Jordan
Nevada	Mike Baker
Texas	LeRoy Schaber
Columbia	Camilo A. Andrade
Germany	Karvel Rose

Presentation of a 50 Year Pin

In recognition of a minimum of fifty years of Masonic membership this Fifty Year Award is presented by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Hawaii to the Reverend John B. Connell, member of Ko'olau Masonic Lodge with the gratitude, congratulations and best wishes of the Officers and Members. Presentation was made by the Second District Grand Lodge Inspector, Warren Stremming, P.M.

Past Masters' Certificates

The following brothers were issued a Past Masters' Certificate by Grand Master Lyle G. Phillips

Hawaiian Lodge	Dennis Ing
Honolulu Lodge	Randolph Sua
Kauai Lodge	Donald W. Traller
Kilauea Lodge	Michael D. Janovsky
Kona Lodge	Michael P. Baker
Ko'olau Lodge	Hartwell Keoa Kaneakua
Leeward Lodge	Severino R. Malajito
Le Progres De L'Oceanie	Roderick Gammon, PhD,
Lodge Maui	Marty P. Alexander
Pearl Harbor	Joseph Moses
Schofield Lodge	Keith N. Isaacson
Waikiki Lodge	Jeffery A. Low

Presentation of the Hiram Award

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii presents this Hiram Award honoring Keith N. Isaacson. The Hiram Award was presented by Randy T. S. Chang, P.G.M., Grand Secretary.

NECROLOGY

Let us pray:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, Past and former Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and Brethren, please share with me a moment dedicated to the memory of our departed Brethren. From the dawn of human time we find recorded man has occasionally paused from his daily labors to stop and render tribute to homage to the memory of those who are dear in his heart. During the year of 2002, the source of all light and understand has seen fit to call unto his house 14 of our beloved brothers to abode with him forever in peace, happiness and joy. Almighty and eternal God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift into Thy hands we commend the souls of our beloved and departed Brethren. Amen.

Report of the Masonic Education Committee

From: Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr., Junior Grand Warden and Chairman of the Masonic Education Committee.

To: Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Hawaii

Subj: Masonic Education Committee Report

It was my privilege to be appointed the Chairman of the Masonic Education Committee by the Grand Master. During my tenure, our committee published monthly issues over the internet and provided them to all of the addresses that were obtained from the Directory. This however, only provided issues to approximately 11 percent of the members of the Hawaii jurisdiction.

Upon the publishing of the Grand Lodge Website by Worshipful Marty Alexander of Maui Lodge, I contacted him and we established a Masonic Education Page which allowed us to post each month. This has made articles available to a much larger group to include a world wide viewing.

It has been requested that notice be given to each of the Lodges through the Grand Secretary's Newsletter to Lodges that the page is available and this will allow the Brethren notice through the Lodges and readership will more than likely increase.

Plans are also in the pipeline to capture the email addresses of those visiting the page in order to communicate quicker and more cost effectively in the future.

On another note, and as part of the Masonic Education Program, a Fast Class was held 17 August with approximately 70 new Master Masons being raised. In that this is very close to Masons being made "in sight" it has been suggested that future Fast Classes be accomplished on the neighbor islands be accomplished by Lodges of the island and done "in sight". During discussions, the idea has been affirmatively accepted.

I want to thank the Grand Lodge for allowing me to serve in this manner and look forward to serving in the future.

with warmest fraternal aloha,

Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.
Junior Grand Warden

Report on the Hawaiian Masonic Code

Now, we are reviewing again the HMC in an effort to ensure that grammar, punctuation and duplications are reported and action taken to "clean-up" the document before another full printing.

In this regard, it has been discussed that the HMC be posted to the Grand Lodge Website so that it may be reviewed and/or downloaded. There have been numerous concerns about those that

would change its contents and cause disinformation to be spread. However, others believe that such would cause Masonic Charges be brought for Un-Masonic Conduct. I believe it should be available to all for free over the internet, owing to the knowledge that can be spread. Additionally, it would not be an excuse that I didn't know, especially if the Brother has a computer, or access to one.

There also needs to be some trust placed in this committee to make the spelling, gramatical and other changes which do not change the intent of the section so that it may be brought up to date without need of resolutions for each section of the Code. Safeguards would be the printed copies of previous issuances, archieved in the Grand Lodge Office.

Brethren, the HMC is that book, which in your obligation, you swore to abide by. It is difficult to understand that you would allow a document to govern your Masonic life without knowing, intimately, what it contains.

Your review committee will continue to bring those changes required to you, through reolution, recommendation and otherwise in order to maintain a document which does not change the landmarks of the Fraternity yet allows us to implement it honestly during this day and age.

I again want to thank the Members of Grand Lodge for their confidence in this matter and pledge that this committee will ensure the validity and honor of the Hawaii Masonic Code.

With warmest fraternal aloha,

Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.
Chairman

Report of the Masonic Association

From: Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr., Chairman, Masonic Assistance Program Fund
To: Grand Secretary

Subj: Report of MasonicAssistance Program Fund

Brethren, the birth of the Masonic Assistance Program Fund was during my tenure as your Grand Secretary in 2001.

Funds have been slow, owing to the information relative to the Hawaii Masonic Foundation. Upon the completion of those questions, this program will be placed in the proper portion of the Fund. Monies contributed towards this fund, are to be invested and used for the assistance of our worthy Brother Master Masons that are in need.

This was initially viewed as a program to assist in those areas where personal health insurance, medicare and state,city and county and family assistance would not or could not help. It was

found that many items needed by our Brethren, in their later years, were not covered by insurances or public programs. This fund was to assist in obtaining those items for the Brethren.

More work is necessary in our Grand Lodge, and each of our Brethren and Lodges must seriously consider the support of this program. However, before this program or many other of those supported by the Grand Lodge, we will need to have the assistance of those Brethren with knowledge and/or experience in the investment arena.

I look forward to the assistance of the Past Grand Masters in the direction of this Grand Lodge and of Masonry in general in this jurisdiction.

with warmest fraternal aloha,

Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.

Report of The Fund Raising Committee

From: Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, Chairman, Fund Raising Committee.
To: Grand Secretary

Subj: Report of Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee

It was certainly a good year for the Grand Lodge and the Lodges in this jurisdiction. I will not be reporting on the efforts of the Grand Lodge as to its Fund Raising endeavors owing to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary's efforts in that area and to which the Grand Secretary will be covering such in his report.

The majority of my efforts in this area was in ensuring that the Hawaii Masonic Code was followed by the Lodges in their efforts to raise funds. Many requests were made and responses were given which assisted the Lodges in their fund raising efforts.

Brethren, the following excerpt from the HMC is provided. These cannot be over stressed. It is always best to check with the Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee with copy to the Grand Master. Review of the following and calm minds will always result in a proper ruling and an ability to raise funds. Additional responsibilities regarding the use of Funds can also be found in the HMC. Remember, the funds of the Lodge is for the assistance to the Brethren.

§2062. SOLICITATION OF FINANCIAL AID.

§2070. COMMERCIAL VENTURES.

§2070a. The Square and Compass.

§2070b. Lodges are forbidden to sponsor.

§2070c. Sponsoring of DeMolay: .

§2070d. Grand Masters are authorized to approve credit card programs.

§2072. ADVERTISING — PUBLICATIONS.

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§2316a. Providing a suitable place for burial of its dead.

§2316b. Gifts.

§2316c. The purchase of lambskin aprons

§2316d. The purchase of a History of Masonry

§2316e. The purchase of an organ

§2316f. Money given a Brother as a charity

§2316g. A fee for each candidate

§2316h. The expense of the accused in a Masonic trial

§2316i. The expense of obtaining credit reports

§2316j. A parade float or vehicle

§2316k. Life insurance premiums

§2316l. [repealed - see §2316n]

§2316m. Sponsoring of Youth Orders.

§2316n. Charity to worthwhile organizations

§2316o. Use of funds.

§2318. EXPENDITURES FOR REQUIRED PROGRAM.

§2318. EXPENDITURES FOR REQUIRED PROGRAM.

§2316. USE OF FUNDS. frequently as the Lodge may direct.

§2318a Deleted, Resolution 96-2, 13 January 1996

§2318b. Deleted, Resolution 96-2, 13 January 1996

§2320. DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURES.

§2320a. A Life Membership may be purchased

§2320b. A lodge or temple corporation

§2320c. The Treasurer may be paid on salary at the discretion of each lodge.

Remembering that the Grand Lodge Committee on Fund Raising and the Offices of the Grand Lodge are always available to assist you in your fund raising efforts.

with warmest fraternal aloha,

Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.
Junior Grand Warden

Knights Templar

Worshipful Frederick Dunsmoor, Past Master of Ko'olau, Grand Commander of Knights Templar of the Philippines, made a motion that the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Hawaii go on record supporting the establishment of a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in the State of Hawaii.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously by a voice vote.

The Grand Master Speaks

I have been your Grand Master for 16 months now and * must say being your Grand Master has been an exceedingly wonderful experience and privilege, and one which I will remember and cherish the rest of my life.

Fortunately during my term, I have been able to visit most of the western regional area Grand Lodges, including California, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Utah, British Columbia, and even Washington DC and the Philippines. I say fortunately because almost all of this travel was at my own personal expense. To summarize my travels, I was happy to find that Masonry, for the most part, is alive and well, and to be able to visit these Grand Lodges as a sitting Grand Master was an absolutely wonderful and gratifying experience. Every place I went I met many wonderful men and women and made many new friends, and I know they all took such wonderful care of me, because I represented you. Masonry is truly a fraternal brotherhood and in my travels to the various Grand Lodges I found that their major challenges are all pretty much the same. Principally, a slowly declining membership, and the resultant finance problems which this decline presents for their Lodges and programs. What I also found was that each Grand Lodge has a somewhat different approach to solving these problems, and I was able to bring home some of these ideas to assist our Grand Lodge in also solving these very same problems which we share. There are no easy solutions, but giving up is definitely not an option.

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii through its' Executive Committee has been working hard this year. At the start of my term in January 2002, I stated several goals which I believe the Grand Lodge has gone a long way towards achieving.

My first goal was Masonic Unity, principally through good communication. In the past it was my belief that many good Masons never got the correct word as to what was really happening, and the word they did get was most often through rumor, and then often not accurate or complete. I believe we have gone a long way towards solving this problem this year by a number of means. Principally, by establishing and using e-mail lists of all Lodge, and Grand Lodge Officers, so we may communicate with them in a timely and economical manner. And Secondly through our Grand Secretaries monthly news letters, parts of which were supposed to be read in every Lodge and made available to all the members. In addition I have personally visited each Lodge a minimum of twice to speak and answer questions and I have encouraged my Lodge Inspectors to be as ever present as possible. As a result I am happy to report, that during my term, at least for me, it has been as smooth and controversy free as any I can remember.

My second goal was to try to get a handle on the finances of our Grand Lodge. This goal is necessarily a long range one. However, I think we have made a very good start. We now have a CPA as our Grand Treasurer in the form of the Hon. Jorge Disuanco who has put our accounts in a business like form, so at least now we now know where the money we do have is, or for that matter isn't. We have cut our Grand Lodge office expenses practically to the bone. Gone to a month to month rental agreement on our office to get a lower rate. Reduced the number of phone lines, tried to get rid of our overly expensive copier, and cut our reimbursed travel expenses to an absolute minimum. Also as part of this goal I have set up an investment

committee made up of five successful investment counselors, recruited from the trustees of our more affluent Lodges to work with our Executive Committee, to actively handle our Grand Lodge Investments.

I think one of the very hardest and most unpleasant decisions I had to make all year was to enforce our HMC and issue a decision not to allow two Lodges to vote in this An-Com due to their per-capita taxes being paid late. All year long, every time I spoke, I promised this would happen, because it is in our HMC, and especially because in past years, due to late payments, the Grand Lodge has had to draw from its' investments, just to cover our bills till the payments trickle in. But . . . what more can I say.

As part of the Grand Lodge business you heard several resolutions presented which dealt with making our Grand Lodge more financially stable. You may have noted that none of those resolutions was to raise the per-capita tax. I promised not to do that during my year and we haven't. On the positive side, we did have had several good fund raisers through Affinity Marketing and a modestly successful first of what hopefully will become an Annual Golf Tournament; and just recently we have started a Masonic vehicle license plate program which I now understand is ready to go, and which, besides making a few dollars for the Grand Lodge, should really help to get Masonry in front of the public. I would like to give a special thanks to those of you who participated in this years fund raising events. You really helped save the Grand Lodge financially this year.

Truly I could go on and telling you about my many experiences as your Grand Master for I have truly enjoyed the fantastic opportunity you have given me. But now is not the time. However, before I close one last comment please.

The Grand Master is only the leader of a team, without the support of whom he could get next to nothing done. My team this year has been my Executive Committee who have performed admirably, they are:

The RW Lee Skinner, my Deputy Grand Master
The RW Walter Hager, my Senior Grand Warden
The RW Ray Wieckowicz, my Junior Grand Warden
The VW Dave Nightinggale, my Grand Lecturer
The Hon. Jorge Disuanco, my Grand Treasurer

And last but certainly not least, the Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Randy Chang, my Grand Secretary without whose conscientiousness, counsel, and humor my job would have been so much harder. Mahalo Gentlemen from the bottom of my heart.

Lyle G. Phillips
Grand Master 2002 - 2003

Installation of Grand Lodge Officers

Installing officer - Ray Whitaker, P.G.M. California

Master of Ceremonies - Dexter Lum, P.M.

Installing Chaplain - David N. E. Kaohelaulii, P.M.

The Installing Officer introduced and installed the following appointed Officers:

Robert A. Schultz, PM	Inspector District #1
Dennis A. Ing, PM	Inspector District #2
Charles L. Wegener, Jr., PM	Inspector District #3
Mike Baker	Inspector District #4
Karvel Rose	Inspector District #5
Claude J. Himmelein	Grand Titler
Seppo K. M. Plaami	Grand Organist
Herbert G. Gardiner	Grand Historian
Donovan W. C. K. Young, DDS. PM	Grand Pursuivant
Anthony M. Ligaya	Junior Grand Steward
Teofilo E. De Aquino	Senior Grand Steward
Donald W. Traller, PM	Junior Grand Deacon
Alan R. T. Kaopuiki	Senior Grand Deacon
Wilfred K. C. Lam	Grand Bible Bearer
Carl W. Scheer	Grand Sword Bearer
Michael Janovsky	Grand Standard Bearer
Frank M. Condello, II, PM	Grand Marshal
G. Richard Jordan	Grand Orator
John B. Connell	Grand Chaplain

The Installing Officer then introduced and installed the following elected Officers:

Donald W. Wilson, PGM	Grand Lecturer
Mike Maklary, PM	Grand Secretary
Jorge Disuanco	Grand Treasurer

The Installing Officer then introduced and installed the following:

Bruce Bonnell, PM	Grand Junior Deacon
Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr., PM	Grand Senior Deacon
Walter L. Hager, PM	Deputy Grand Master

The Installing Officer then introduced and installed the Grand Master Elect:

A. Lee Skinner	Grand Master
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Grand Lodge Officers - 2003

The Newly Installed Grand Master's Remarks

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth: Where have we heard those words before? It was the day we entered this great Fraternity of Freemasonry. We hear so much talk about changing our ritual and teachings. If Masonry is perfect or nothing is wrong with it, why are we always trying to change it? Every year, in almost every Lodge, and certainly Grand Lodges, there is legislation and decisions to change something in Masonry. The rules, our bylaws and ritual, there are changes submitted and in many cases, approved and instituted.

There is but one way by which Freemasonry can promote the objectives of **Brotherly Love, Relief and truth** in the outside world, and that is by the silent example of those brethren whose hands are guided by justice, whose hearts are expanded by the benevolence, and who display those social and moral virtues which constitute the solid basis for Freemasonry. Rather should our Lodges aim at better Masons than merely more Masons, for better masons make better citizens, men conscious of the social needs for personal integrity, men convinced that righteousness alone exalts an individual community or nation; men who serve their fellows by playing an active role in every worthwhile project or activity.

If someone asked you, What about Freemasonry? What does it do for our community? How about this, We are a fraternity of men who take care of ourselves and those dependent on us, and then the community as we are able! We, as individuals, belong to and support many community groups. We are the community! Finally, You have to ask a Mason to become a Mason! or, You have to ask a Mason to become ONE!

Lodges were originally formed for the members; benefit not the community's. However the community reaps the benefit of having these good men among them. We must first take care of ourselves before we think about community service.

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. How many Lodges take care of their own first and then their widows. Does your Lodge have a sum of Money set aside to help the Masonic family of a Brother in need?

In the beginning Lodges were originally formed, and operated by the local members. Grand Lodges were formed when there were enough Lodges to create a body that would keep our rules and procedures uniform for certain geographical locations. They were to keep the landmarks of Freemasonry and record our bylaws ritual, etc. that, the Lodges mutually agree to adopt.

Over the years we have lost our goal. We keep worrying about numbers and spend no time on the import things: **Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth**. Who is to blame for our membership problems? Since we are humans, we have to blame somebody.

Who is to blame you, us! Each of you and all of us. We expect the Grand Lodge to take care of us. We ask Grand Lodge, "What are you going to do about losing members? If we don't get new members we can't financially operate our Lodges, etc. What program is the Grand Lodge going to do us?"

We are a lodge-oriented organization that too often looks to Grand Lodge to solve our problems, or we blame others, "TV, lack of time, Monday Night football, and the Mother of all excuses, the old attitude changes in society".

In some jurisdictions lodges' get Grand Lodge to initiate, organize and confer the degrees. Pretty soon they won't need the "Lodge" because Grand Lodge will confer all of the degrees.

The cry for more members usually comes from those who need more money. Money is what they should be chanting. It is usually because of big outdated buildings with many expenses that go with it.

No, you don't need more members; you have plenty of members. They just don't come to lodge anymore. There is no camaraderie, dignity and no fraternalism. We cannot let these "criers" for more members or more money dictate the standards of Blue Lodge Freemasonry any longer!

Let's return to the heart of Masonry - the heart of the Fraternity - **Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.** - The things that are found within us. The heart of the matter was never meant to be a social event. Sociability, public charity and community involvement should be the harvest of good Masonry, not the purpose of Masonry. You can not dictate these things, not by Grand Lodge or any other body or person. You either bear the fruit or you don't.

Start thinking about "us." You want to do a good deed? Visit a Masonic widow. Get a group together and help a brother repair his garage or paint his house, you will never hear him ask for this. Maybe you just overheard him mention it to another brother in a general conversation. Just arrive at his place unannounced. Get back to the basic of **Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.**

Create a camaraderie that is missing in our Fraternity. Create a camaraderie that everyone will envy.

Let me touch upon another subject that should be important to every Mason, and is very dear to me. Our Youth Groups. Master Masons should support and attend the activities of DeMolay and Rainbow Girls. Unfortunately we do not have an active Job's Daughters Bethel in Hawaii now. We are not expected to devote a great deal of our time to these young men and women although many Masons are dedicated to these Youth Groups and work very hard to help them in every way. These people spend many hours days and years of their own time with our young men and women.

Unfortunately, most Masons can not give much of their time, since they are too busy with their own business and personal commitments. However if you want to help our youth, spend a few hours each year in attendance at a few of the meetings and social activities. These few hours will add up to many at the end of the year. Most important of all, these young people will be grateful for our combined support and they will be convinced that we earn the love and respect, which they have been taught to give us Masons. I would encourage each Lodge to appoint a Mason to keep the Lodge informed of the Youth activities in this jurisdiction. Yes, you will hear

sayings, well we donate money to our youth groups. That is true, but let me tell you, these young men and ladies would rather see you there than your money. Yes, it takes money to fund these Youth Groups, but they need our moral support also. Believe me you will enjoy the experience.

I thank you very much.

A. LEE SKINNER
Grand Master
The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
of Free & Accepted Masons of
The State of Hawaii



PAST GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

1989

Grand Master	William Kamalalawalu McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
Senior Grand Warden	Ernest Y. Yamane	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Warden	David K. Lindsey, Jr.	Honolulu
Grand Treasurer	John G. Simpson	
Grand Secretary	Nelson A. Ahina	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Louie C. Ondo	Hawaiian
Grand Chaplain	David N. fi. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Treasurer	William H. Wong	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Secretary	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Marshal	Cleghorn P. McKee	Ko'olau
Senior Grand Deacon	Laurence A. Sanchez	
Junior Grand Deacon	John E. D. Williams	Ko'olau
Senior Grand Steward	James A. Sullivan, Jr.	Schofield
Junior Grand Steward	John S. Moriki, Jr.	
Grand Tiler	Fred H. S. Yang	

INSPECTORIAL DISTRICTS

1st Masonic District	Hawaiian & Waikiki
2nd Masonic District	Le Progres & Schofield
3rd Masonic District	Ko'olau & Pearl Harbor
4th Masonic District	Honolulu & King Kalakaua
5th Masonic District	Maui & Kauai
6th Masonic District	Kilauea & Kona

INSPECTORS

1st Masonic District	Ernest K. Fernandes	Honolulu
2nd Masonic District	Rowland L. Frendo	Hawaiian
3rd Masonic District	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
4th Masonic District	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
5th Masonic District	Mauricio h1. Valera, Jr.	Kilauea
6th Masonic District	Edward B. H. Yee	

1990

Grand Master	William Kamalalawalu. McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
Deputy Grand Master	Ernest Y. Yamane	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Warden	David K. Lindsey, Jr.	Honolulu
Junior Grand Warden	Richard W. Decker	Kona
Grand Treasurer	William H. Wong	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Roy T. Ota	Pearl Harbor
Grand Secretary	Nelson A. Ahina	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Louie C. Ondo	Hawaiian
Grand Chaplain	David N.E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Dexter W. Lum	Waikiki

1990

Grand Orator	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres
Assistant Grand Secretary	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Marshal	Cleghorn P. McKee	Ko'olau
Grand Standard Bearer	James P. Malczon	Honolulu
Grand Sword Bearer	Harold F. Lishman	
Grand Bible Bearer	Albert W. Hicks	Kauai
Senior Grand Deacon	Laurence A. Sanchez	Kona
Junior Grand Deacon	John E. D. Williams	Ko'olau
Senior Grand Steward	James A. Sullivan, Jr.	Schofield
Junior Grand Steward	John S. Moriki, Jr.	
Grand Pursuivant	Severino R. Malajito	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	Stanley H. Nesser	
Grand Tiler	James L. Norris	Pearl Harbor
Grand Director of Special Activities	William P. Holsomback	Schofield

INSPECTORS

1 st Masonic District	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
2nd Masonic District	Roland L. Frendo	Hawaiian
3rd Masonic District	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
4th Masonic District	Ernest K. Fernandes	Honolulu
5th Masonic District	Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui
6th Masonic District	Mauricio M. Valera, Jr.	Kilauea

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Grand Master	William K. McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
Deputy Grand Master	Ernest Y Yamane	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Warden	David K. Lindsey, Jr.	Honolulu
Junior Grand Warden	Severino R. Malajito	Hawaiian
Grand Treasurer	William H. Wong	Honolulu
Grand Secretary	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Louie C. Ondo	Hawaiian
Grand Chaplain	David N.E. Kaohelauii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Dexter W. Lum	Waikiki
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Bunny Y B. Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Orator	Frank B. Fiedler	Le Progres
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Arlen M. Scott	Le Progres
Assistant Grand Secretary	John E. D. Williams	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Cleghorn P. McKee	Ko'olauGrand
Standard Bearer	Gus Yong	Honolulu
Grand Sword Bearer	Laurence A. Sanchez	
Grand Bible Bearer	Albert W. Hicks	Kauai
Senior Grand Deacon	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres
Junior Grand Deacon	James P. Malczon	Honolulu
Senior Grand Steward	Bennet Ing	Schofield
Junior Grand Steward	John S. Moriki, Jr.	
Grand Pursuivant	Raymond Young	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities		William P.
Holsomback	Schofield	
Grand Organist	Stanley H. Nesser	
Grand Tiler	James L. Norris	Pearl Harhor

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6th Masonic District	Mauricio M. Valera, Jr.	Kilauea

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Deputy Grand Master	David K. Lindsey, Jr.	Honolulu
Senior Grand Warden	Severino R. Malajito	Hawaiian
Junior Gand Warden	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres
Grand Treasurer	William Hin Wong	Hawaiian
Gand Secretary	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Chaplain	David N.E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Dexter W. Lum	Waikiki
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Bunny Y. B. Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Orator	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Assistant Grand Secretary	John E. D. Williams	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Arthur R. Martin	Schofield
Grand Standard Bearer	Limin Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Sword Bearer	Eric M. Moir	Kauai
Grand Bible Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Roy T. Ota	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Deacon	Henry S. K. Chang	
Senior Grand Steward	James A. Sullivan, Jr.	Schofield
Junior Grand Steward	Henry Park	Ko'olau
Grand Pursuivant	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities	William P. Holsomback	Schofield
Grand Historian	Thomas U. Glenn	Ko'olau
Grand Organist	Stanley H. Nesser	
Grand Tiler	Nelson A. Ahina	Les Progres

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1 st Masonic District	Kenneth K. W> Lau	Hawaiian
2nd Masonic District	James U. Robertson	Le Progres
3rd Masonic District	Bennet K. C. Ing	Schofield
4th Masonic District	Albert W. Hicks	Kauai
5th Masonic District	John S. Moriki, Jr	
6th Masonic District	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea

1993

Grand Master	David K. Lindsey, Jr.	Honolulu
Deputy Grand Master	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres
Senior Grand Warden	Richard W. M. Dang	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Warden	Bennet K. C. Ing	Schofield
Grand Treasurer	William Hin Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Secretary	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Melvin E. Britain	Le Progres
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Bunny Y B. Wong	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Orator	Lyle G. Phillips	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Assistant Grand Secretary	Sio Mangisi	King Kalakaua
Grand Marshal	Solomon P. Q. Chung	Scofield
Grand Standard Bearer	Limin Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Sword Bearer	L. R. Rick Howsley	Kona
Grand Bible Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	James P. Malczon	Honolulu
Junior Grand Deacon	William F. Lee	Le Progres
Senior Grand Steward	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Steward	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Grand Pursuivant	Raymond Y. H. Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities	Willam E. Holsomback	Schofield
Grand Historian	James D. Wilson	Le Progres
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Le Progres
Grand Tiler	Nelson A. Ahina	Le Progres

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1 st Masonic District	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
2nd Masonic District	James U. Robertson	Le Progres
3rd Masonic District	J. Patrick Corrigan	Hawaiian
4th Masonic District	Eric McD. Moir	
5th Masonic District	Eugene F. Simon	Lodge Maui
6th Masonic District	Mauricio M. Valera, Jr.	Kilauea

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Grand Master	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres
Deputy Grand Master	Richard W. M. Dang	Hawaiian
Senior Gand Warden	Bennet K. C. Ing	Schofield
Junior Grand Warden	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Grand Treasurer	William Hin Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Secretary	J. Patrick Corrigan	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Bunny Y. B. Wong	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Louie C. Ondo	Hawaiian
Grand Orator	John B. Connell	Ko'olau
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Assistant Grand Secretary	Randy T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Grand Marshal	Jerome C. Borro	Le Progres

1994

Grand Standard Bearer	Limin Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Sword Bearer	David P. Niehaus	Lodge Maui
Grand Bible Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Paul D. Jones	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Deacon	Samuel K. S. Hong	Kilauea
Senior Grand Steward	Lyle G. Phillips	Kilauea
Junior Grand Steward	Jose Ponciano	Pearl Harbor
Grand Pursuivant	Raymond Y H. Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Le Progres
Grand Tiler	Nelson A. Ahina	Le Progres

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3rd Masonic District	Thomas E. Waracka	Ko'olau
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6th Masonic District	Mauricio M. Valera, Jr.	Kilauea

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Grand Master	Richard W. M. Dang	Hawaiian
Deputy Grand Master	Bennet K. C. Ing	Schofield
Senior Grand Warden	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Warden	Paul D. Jones	Hawaiian
Grand Treasurer	Limin Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Secretary	J. Patrick Corrigan	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Louie C. Ondo	Hawaiian
Grand Orator	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Dexter W. Lum	Waikiki
Grand Standard Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Grand Sword Bearer	Oscar C. Tuano	Kona
Grand Bible Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Randolph T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Deacon	Frederick M. Bender	
Senior Grand Steward	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
Junior Grand Steward	Warren E. Stremming	Honolulu
Grand Pursuivant	Raymond Y. H. Wong	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities	William E. Holsomback	Schofield
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Hawaiian
Grand Tiler	Nelson A. Ahina	Le Progres

1995
INSPECTORS

1 st Masonic District	Jerome C. Borro	Les Progres
2nd Masonic District	A. Lee Skinner	Hawaiian
3rd Masonic District	Thomas E. Waracka	Koolau
4th Masonic District	Eric McD. Moir	Kauai
5th Masonic District	Eugene F. Simon	Lodge Maui
6th Masonic District	Mauricio M. Valer, Jr.	Kilauea

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Grand Master	Bennet K. C. Ing	Schofield
Deputy Grand Master	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Senior Grand Warden	Paul D. Jones	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Warden	Randolph T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Grand Treasurer	Linin Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Secretary	J. Patrick Corrigan	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Jerome C. Borro	Le Progres
Grand Orator	Ernie Fernandes	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Treasurer	Bunny Y. B. Wong	HonoluluGrand
Marshal	James A. Sullivan, Jr.	Schofield
Grand Standard Bearer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Sword Bearer	Quentin C. Arbo	Kilauea
Grand Bible Bearer	Raymond K. H. Young	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Masaichi Gushikuma	Schofield
Junior Grand Deacon	Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui
Senior Grand Steward	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
Junior Grand Steward	Larry E. Sumida	Kilauea
Grand Pursuivant	Timothy K. S. Yuen	Waikiki
Grand Director of Special Activities	William E. Holsomback	Schofield
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Hawaiian
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

INSPECTORS

1st Masonic District	Warren E. Stremming	Honolulu
2nd Masonic District	Thomas E. Waracka	Ko'olau
3rd Masonic District	James L. Ripley	Hawaiian
4th Masonic District	E. A. "Tommy" Thompson	Kauai
5th Masonic District	Eugene F. Simon	Lodge Maui
6th Masonic District	Tony Arruda	Kilauea

1997

Grand Master	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
Deputy Grand Master	Paul D. Jones	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Warden	Randolph T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Warden	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea
Grand Treasurer	Limun Kung	Hawaiian
Grand Secretary	J. Patrick Corrigan	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Kenneth K. W. Lau	Hawaiian
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Grand Orator	John B. Connell	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Robert S. Ferguson	
Senior Grand Deacon	Roy T. Ota	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Deacon	John A. Carollo	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Steward	Frank M. Hinshaw	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Steward	Herbert Bonney	Waikiki
Grand Director of Special Activities	Jerome C. Borro	Le Progres
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Hawaiian
Grand Piper	Lawrence M. Jones	
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

Inspectorial Districts were consolidated to the following:

1st Masonic District:	Schofield, Le Progres, Lodge Maui, King Kalakaua
2nd Masonic District:	Honolulu, Hawaiian, Waikiki, Kauai
3rd Masonic District:	Kilauea, Pearl Harbor, Kona, Ko'olau

INSPECTORS

1st Masonic District	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
2nd Masonic District	Thomas E. Waracka	Ko'olau
3rd Masonic District	Warren E. Stremming	Honolulu

1998

Grand Master	Paul D. Jones	Hawaiian
Deputy Grand Master	Randolph T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Warden	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea
Junior Grand Warden	Frank M. Hinshaw	Pearl Harbor
Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Secretary	Fredrick Bender	Hawaiian
Grand Lecturer	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Grand Orator	Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui
Grand Marshal	Melvin E. Britain	Le Progres
Senior Grand Deacon	Roy T. Ota	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Deacon	Patrick J. Lindan	Lodge Maui

1998..

Grand Organist	John Johnston	Hawaiian
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor
Grand Orator	Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui
Senior Grand Steward	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Junior Grand Steward	Michael J. Maples	Le Progres
Grand Director of Special Activities	Jerome C. Borro	Le Progres
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian

INSPECTORS

1 st Masonic District	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
2nd Masonic District	Thomas E. Waracka	Ko'olau
3rd Masonic District	Warren E. Stremming	Honolulu
VW Thomas E. Waracka passed away mid term and Worshipful Quentin Arbo assumed his duties		
2nd Masonic District	Quentin R. Arbo	Kona

1999

Grand Master	Randolph T. S. Chang	Hawaiian
Deputy Grand Master	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea
Grand Senior Warden	Frank M. Hinshaw	Pearl Harbor
Grand Junior Warden	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Secretary	Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.	Ko'olau
Grand Lecturer	Lyle G. Phillips	Kilauea
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Grand Orator	Rev. John B. Connell	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Cleghorn P. McKee	Ko'olau
Assistant Grand Lecturer	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
Grand Senior Deacon	James P. Malczon	Honolulu
Grand Junior Deacon	George H. Keisel	Honolulu
Grand Senior Steward	Robert E. Dietrich	Kona
Grand Junior Steward	Charles A. MacNiven	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities	Patrick J. Lindan, Jr.	Lodge Maui
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	John Johnston	Hawaiian
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

INSPECTORS

This year, District designations were abolished and Inspectors were assigned Lodges

Abraham Akina	Les Progres & Pearl Harbor	Pearl Harbor
Allen Lee Skinner	Honolulu	Waikiki
Quentin R. Arbo	Kilauea & Kona	Kona
Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui	Maui
Warren E. Stremming	Hawaiian & Ko'olau	Honolulu
Oscar M. Jayme	Honolulu, Schofield	Hawaiian
Earl Thompson	Kauai	Kauai

2000

Grand Master	Mason Ellsworth Teter	Kilauea
Deputy Grand Master	Donald Worster Wilson	Ko'olau
Senior Grand Warden	Lyle G. Phillips	Kilauea
Junior Grand Warden	Allen Lee Skinner	Hawaiian
Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Secretary	Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.	Ko'olau
Grand Lecturer	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Grand Orator	Rev. John B. Connell	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Robert A. Shultz	Hawaiian
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Gand Standard Bearer	Jonathan R. Hodkinson	Kona
Senior Grand Deacon	Jack A. Hughes	Ko'olau
Junior Grand Deacon	Thomas L. Clark	Kona
Senior Grand Steward	Donovan Young	Honolulu
Junior Grand Steward	Ronald Kano	Kauai
Grand Director of Special Activities	James B. Malczon	Honolulu
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	Cyrus H. Woo	Kiluaea
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

INSPECTORS

Quentin Arbo	Kauai, Kilauea, Kona, Maui	Kona
Warren E. Stremming	Hawaiian, Ko'olau, Pearl Harbor	Honolulu
Wilson S. Camagan	Honolulu, Les Progres, Schofield, Waikik	Hawaiian

2001

Grand Master	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
Deputy Grand Master	Lyle G. Phillips	Kilauea
Grand Senior Warden	A. Lee Skinner	Hawaiian
Grand Junior Warden	Walter L. Hager	Lodge Maui
Grand Treasurer	Norman E. Ipson	Ko'olau
Grand Secretary	Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr.	Ko'olau
Grand Lecturer	David W. Nightingale	Waikiki
Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelaulii	Honolulu
Grand Orator	Rev. John B. Connell	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	G. Richard Jordan	Lodge Maui
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Bruce H. Bonnell	Pearl Harbor
Junior Grand Deacon	Major Inch	Kauai
Senior Grand Steward	Jack A. Hughes	Ko'olau
Junior Grand Steward	Charles A. MacNiven	Hawaiian
Grand Director of Special Activities	George A. Theofanis	Honolulu
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
Grand Organist	Seppo M.K. Plaami	Hawaiian
Grand Tiler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

INSPECTORS

Robert A. Schultz	Maui, Kauai, Leeward Square & Compass	Hawaiian
Robert E. Dietrich	Kilauea & Kona	Kona
Wilson S. Camagan	Honolulu, Les Progres, Scofield, Waikiki	Hawaiian
Warren E. Stremming	Hawaiian, Ko'olau, Pearl Harbor	Honolulu

LIST OF LODGES WHEN THEY HAD NUMBERS

In 1989, when the Grand Lodge of Hawaii was established, the Lodge numbers which had been assigned while under the Jurisdiction of California, were removed. This listing of Lodges, with numbers, is for reference and historical knowledge only.

Hawaiian Lodge No. 21	Ko'olau Lodge No. 801
Honolulu Lodge No. 409	Lodge Le Progres De L' Oceanie No. 371
Kauai Lodge No. 589	Lodge Maui No. 472
Kilauea Lodge No. 330	Pearl Harbor Lodge No. 398
King Kalakaua Daylight Lodge No.838	Schofield Lodge No. 443
Kona Lodge No. 836	Waikiki Lodge No.774

MEMBERSHIP FIGURES AS RECORDED FROM DATE OF FORMATION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF F & A M OF HAWAII

LODGE	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
HAWAIIAN	340			341	341	345	451
HONOLULU	288			226	217	203	214
KAUAI	81			56	58	59	60
KILAUEA	159			113	118	106	116
KING KALAKAUA DAYLIGHT	49			43	43	44	58
KO'OLAU	166			127	127	129	92
KONA	78			83	92	78	85
LE PROGRES	511			421	392	363	366
MAUI	124			116	105	98	94
PEARL HARBOR	450			313	298	288	283
SCHOFIELD	271			237	234	195	195
WAIKIKI	227			175	172	166	164
TOTAL	2744			2251	2197	2074	2178
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
HAWAIIAN	451		460	477	492	488	
HONOLULU	214		218	221	185	204	
KAUAI	60	58	58	62	65	55	
KILAUEA	116		116	114	107	98	
KING KALAKAUA DAYLIGHT	58		58	59	CONSOLIDATED WITH LE PROGRES		
KO'OLAU	92		109	109	96	90	
KONA	85		88	95	95	89	
LE PROGRES	366		365	363	422	220	
MAUI	94		103	95	91	84	
PEARL HARBOR	283		261	256	237	230	
SCHOFIELD	195		195	195	137	137	
WAIKIKI	164		154	150	123	132	
LEEWARD						79	
TOTAL	2178		2185	2196	2122	1906	

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Grand Chaplain	David N. E. Kaohelauii	Honolulu
Assistant Grand Secretary	Jonathan R. Hodkinson	Kona
Assistant Grand Lecturer	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
Grand Orator	Rev. John Connell	Ko'olau
Grand Marshal	Carl W. Scheer	Kona
Grand Standard Bearer	G. Richard Jordan	Maui
Grand Bible Bearer	John A. Carollo	Hawaiian
Senior Grand Deacon	Cyrus H. Wilson	Kilauea
Junior Grand Deacon	Tony Arruda	Kilauea
Senior Grand Deacon	Charles Wegener, Jr.	Ko'olau
Junior Grand Steward	Karvel Rose	Kauai
Grand Historian	Herbert G. Gardiner	Hawaiian
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Grand Pursuivant	Bruce H. Bonnell	Pearl Harbor
Grand Titler	Claude J. Himmelein	Pearl Harbor

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