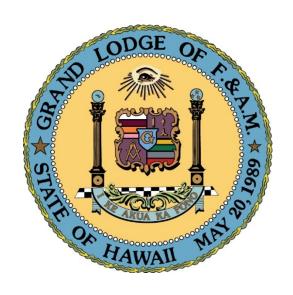
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Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez Grand Master 2017 – 2018



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The Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii held its Annual Communication on Friday April 20th and Saturday April 21st A.D 2018, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral located at 1611 Kewalo St., Honolulu, Hawaii.

#### FORMAL GRAND LODGE OPENING

At 1:00 pm, the Grand Marshall, Worshipful Brother Aaron P. Daguio, entered the Grand Lodge Room and announced that the Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii and his corps of officers were about to enter the lodge room whereupon The Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez, Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii opened the Grand Lodge of Hawaii in ample form. The flag was presented by Worshipful Brothers Roy T. Ota and John J. Brown of the National Sojourners. The Colors were then posted, and Worshipful Brother John J. Brown of the National Sojourners gave the Toast to the Flag.

## FRIDAY BUSINESS SESSION APRIL 20th, 2018

The Grand Master began by welcoming everyone for joining us for our Thirtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and asked that everyone present to please either turn off their cell phones or place them on mute and to remove any Bluetooth devices they may be wearing.

Those present at the call of the Roll were as follows:

#### **Elected Grand Lodge Officers**

Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez	Grand Master
Right Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan	Deputy Grand Master
Right Worshipful Alexander A. Escasa	Senior Grand Warden
Right Worshipful Garry Graham	Junior Grand Warden
Honorable Alberto P. Alarcon	Grand Treasurer
Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander, PGM	Grand Secretary
Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM	Grand Lecturer

#### **Past Grand Masters Present**

Most Worshipful Oscar M. Jayme	2007
Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing	2008
Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander	2009
Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover	201′
Most Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya	2012
Most Worshipful Frank M. Condello II	2013
Most Worshipful Richard B. Huston	2014
Most Worshipful Michael P. Baker Sr	2015
Most Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser	2016

At the end of the roll call, the credentials report was as follows:

- 7 Elective Grand Lodge Officers Present
- 9 Past Grand Masters Present
- 8 Lodges Represented

Therefore, a quorum of at least 50% of our chartered lodges was present as required by Hawaii Masonic Code Section 156 for the transaction of business.

#### 2017 Appointed Grand Lodge Officers

Very Reverend Randolph V.N. Albano	Grand Chaplain
Worshipful Raymund L. Liongson	Grand Orator
Worshipful Aaron P. Daguio	Grand Marshal
Worshipful Vincent L. Gusman	Grand Standard Bearer
Worshipful Bernardo C. Baldueza	Grand Sword Bearer
Worshipful Feliciano Dela Cruz Jr	Grand Bible Bearer
Worshipful Sonny A. Cardenas	Senior Grand Deacon
Worshipful Arnold A. Sarinas	Junior Grand Deacon
Worshipful Anthony J. Escasa	Senior Grand Steward
Worshipful Jared A. Namumnart	Junior Grand Steward
Worshipful Herman K. Wilson	Grand Historian
Honorable Lee D. Gordon	Grand Organist
Worshipful Dado C. Lajola	Grand Pursuivant
Worshipful Donald A. Alvarado	Grand Tiler

#### **Grand Lodge Inspectors**

Jay Oliver Bajuyo Michael D. Janovsky Michael J. Lopez Donald W. Traller Seth A. Connell
Darryl E. Lajola
J. Daniel Miller
Christopher Kaminaka

Dustin T. Verity Mark P. Leo Kevin R. Perdue

**Of note:** Listed are the installed 2017 Grand Lodge officers and Lodge Inspectors but all were not necessarily present for this Annual Communication:

#### INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MASTER AND VISITING DIGINITARIES

The Grand Master then asked all of the Past Grand Masters from the Grand Lodge of Hawaii to retire so they could be properly received which were as follows:

Most Worshipful Oscar M. Jayme	2007
Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing	2008
Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander	2009
Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover	2011
Most Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya	2012
Most Worshipful Frank M. Condello II	2013
Most Worshipful Richard B. Huston	2014
Most Worshipful Michael P. Baker Sr	2015
Most Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser	2016

After their introduction by our Grand Marshal, Worshipful Aaron P. Daguio, the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master proceeded West of the altar to greet them. Upon returning to the East, Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez thanked them for coming by leading the craft in a battery of 3 x 3.

#### SITTING GRAND MASTERS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Master then asked all visiting Grand Masters or their personal representatives to retire so they could be properly received. They were as follows:

**Sitting Grand Masters - None were present during our opening ceremonies.** 

#### **Grand Masters' Personal Representatives**

MW JOHN HEISNER, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California representing MW BRUNCE R. GALLOWAY Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California.

MW ED BOUSQUET, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Oregon representing MW W. MYLES MCMILLAN Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon.

MW RICHARD B. HUSTON Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii representing MW JERRY ANDERSON Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana.

MW MICHAEL SANDERS Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington representing MW WARREN R. SCHOBEN Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington

MW FREDRIC COLLINS Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Japan representing MW ATSUSHI TAKAHASHI Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Japan

MW MIKE SALAZAR, Past Grand Master of DeMolay International representing MW RONALD J. MINSHALL Grand Master of DeMolay International.

WOR. THA KRIBBS, Past Master of Cairo Lodge #486 of the Grand Lodge of Missouri representing MW RONALD D. JONES Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri.

WOR. NICOLAS LOPEZ, Past Master of Kilauea Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii representing the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

After their introduction by our Grand Marshal, the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master proceeded West of the altar to greet them. Upon returning to the East, Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez thanked them for coming by leading the craft in a battery of  $3 \times 3$ .

The Grand Master then asked all other visiting Grand Lodge officers and Senior distinguished guests with us today to rise and introduce themselves. They were all greeted with a hearty round of applause.

The Grand Master then recognized all Hawaii Lodge Masters, Lodge Secretaries, Lodge Inspectors, Hiram and McKee Award recipients by asking them to stand up by group and giving each group a hearty round of applause.

#### GRAND CHAPLAIN'S SERVICE OF REMEMBRENCE

After the morning introductions and announcements were completed, the Grand Master called upon Very Reverend Randolph Vicente Nolasco Albano, our Grand Chaplain and Chairman of the Memorial Service Committee, to present the Service of Remembrance for our departed brethren, which is a follows:

Most Worshipful Grandmaster, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Guests and Brethren all:

I would like to start by sharing with you an anecdote, which you may already have heard before. This has a fertile and pregnant relation to remembering our beloved brothers who have answered the call of the Great Architect and Master of the Universe and are now resting in that celestial city where there is no death, nor suffering but life eternal.

'Danny and Robert, who come from Indiana, went camping and they had been drinking a lot of refreshments; a lot of liquids. Sometimes at the middle of the night Danny woke up, dubbed his elbow into Robert's breast saying wake up! wake up! Why, what do you see? The Sky.....stars, stars, stars.... What does it tell you? Astronomically, it tells me that there are millions of galaxies and billions of planets. Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo. Orologically, it tells me that it is about quarter to three in the morning. Meteorologically, it tells me that tomorrow would probably be a beautiful day. Theologically, it tells me that it is just a tiny part

of the great world. Why Robert, what does it tell you? You idiot, somebody has stolen our tent!' (Borrowed and modified).

From the story, we hear those highfaluting words and ideas. And, then we come across with a down-to-earth-sharp response, "You, idiot somebody has stolen our tent!" Truly this is happening in this fragile earth among mankind. Many a time, men become highfaluting in many ways whether in socio-economic-political-cultural and even religious life. A common manifestation is when men find themselves above others, desiring and aspiring recognition. Men, is fascinated and attracted with earthly and material things. He enjoys fame, prestige, awards and honor. Upon reaching that status it would have been difficult for him to come down to the level of those around him; otherwise he looses the sanctity of such 'heavenly comfort' towards other aspirants of the same.

I am proud to be a mason and I know, I hope, you are too! I am proud to be with all of you my brothers in this "prestigious and most influential" organization. And I am truly blessed to be a brother of those who have gone this way before us.... Proud to be a brother of seventeen Presidents of this country, of whom two were Grandmasters and eighteen Vice Presidents of this country who were Grandmasters in their jurisdictions and many other brothers who had and who have been in public authority and in many a field. As masons we have been continually enlightened and educated within the walls of this 'University of Men'. We possess, 'the sublime principles of masonry making us subdue every discordant passion within us'. We have all the tools: the compass, the square, level, plum and other implements that always remind us in all our works and activities to stand in level with everyone and, to be sowers of that "brotherly love, relief and truth".

The second part of the above story suggests that as Masons, we are quick to discern and identify the needs and wants of our brothers, and also those who are outside our fraternity. It may sound very rude and impolite when Robert said, "you idiot, somebody has stolen our tent", but in a deeper meaning it suggests the urgency and quick assessment on how to "assist and aid a brother" in time of need in all sincerity, devotion and love. Furthermore, it implies that this should be one of the secrets in masonry; for "what your left hand does, let not your right hand know". And such secrecy further implies, humility as Masons are humble, and will forever be.

When we knelt infront of the Altar, placed our hands on that Sacred Book we were made Masons through the Obligation, and rising, we received the Light. And yet, even if we are now in

possession of that Light, we earnestly desire to search for the greater Light so that we may share that Light among all brethren and, for us to be enlightened in our thinking, to be enlightened in our utterances and actions. In such condition, we bring Light into our Lodges and eventually into this world in order to subdue her darkness and brokenness. For when there is light, there is truth; where there is truth there is unity; where there is unity, there is peace and when there is peace, there is love and where love is, there is God, the Great Architect and Master of the Universe.

Today, as we remember our departed brethren, let us also remember their dreams, their visions and love for the Grand Jurisdiction of Hawaii. We may not be able to identify their dreams but that their dreams are just like yours and mine; everybody's dream, i.e., for the betterment and upliftment of all mankind. And so, our next move now may I say, should be to focus on the realization of our dreams. Remember that the truest service are the deeds done to all mankind not attracted and fascinated with fame, honor, prestige, etc. Let us go out into the community and share the light and love of the Great Architect and Master of us all. I am most happy for a brother whose vision and goal is focused in the community saying, "Challenge yourself! Look beyond the boundaries of the walls of Masonry and make significant contributions for the betterment of our communities".

Finally, our heavenly Father has a dream for each of us; Yahweh has a dream for every Lodge, Yahweh has a dream for the Grand Lodge of Hawaii. Yahweh's dream is embedded among us especially to all Officers and mentors who will continue to lead us in all wisdom and humility. I am confident that the dream of Yahweh, our dreams and the dreams of our faithful departed brethren are the same! And that is, 'that you may do better in living the ideals, nobles and mandate of our obligation with the guidance of the divine light.'

And now brethren, to those who may be able to stand, would you please rise as we remember and pray for all our beloved brethren. Eleven (11) brethren died last year while eight (8), died this year.

Let us pray.

O heavenly Father, the God of grace and glory with whom still live the spirits of those who die in the Lord and whose souls are now in perfect harmony with you. We thank you and we praise you for the good examples of all our brethren who now find joy and happiness in that celestial city where there is no grief, nor sorrow, nor pain but everlasting joy and felicity; we remember before you the souls of:

William Apisa	Alva Bowen
Gerald Carpenter	Stuart M. Cowan
Richard T. Denison	William A. Dolph
Roland G. Dorman	George R. Finley
Percival A. Gallego	Jun Maruya
Harold Griffith	Francis W. Hanson
Mordecai H. Hudson	Lawrence M. Jones
Ted W. Maly	Robert O. Orendorff
Frederick H. Overstreet	Russ H. Robinson
Robert J. Thomas	

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed brethren through the mercy of God the Father, the Almighty, rest in peace. Amen.

#### **GRAND TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT**

The Grand Master then called upon Honorable Albert P. Alarcon, our Grand Treasurer for his Annual report on the Grand Master's 2017-2018 Annual Budget.

INCOM	E	Budgeted	Actual
	Affiliations	\$300.00	\$220.00
	Degrees (\$1.00 per degree)	\$200.00	\$188.00
	Dispensations (\$25 per)	\$250.00	\$150.00
	GW Memorial Foundation (\$5 per new initiate)	\$300.00	\$300.00
	Grand Lode (\$20 per new initiate)	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
	Hawaii Masonic Charities (\$15 per new initiate)	\$900.00	\$900.00
	Per Capita Tax (\$26 per member x 1,700)	\$44,200.00	\$42.874.00
	Donation/Other Income One Day Class (75 x \$'100.00)	\$2,000.00 \$7,500.00	\$510.00 \$6,300.00
	TOTAL INCOME	\$56,850.00	\$52.642.04
EXPENSES			
	Annual Communications:		
	Supplies Travel/Hotel	\$1,500.00 \$2,000.00	\$1,324.42 \$1,103.94
	Conferences:	φ2,000.00	φ1,103.9 <del>4</del>
	Conf. Grand Master's Reg. Conf. Grand Master's Dues Western Conference	\$300.00 \$250.00 \$1,500.00	\$0 \$250.00 \$1,045.98
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Conf. Grand Sec.'s Dues GM Memorial Foundation GM's PinslEmblematics	\$100 00 \$500.00	\$0 \$0
Pins	\$900.00	\$792.77
GL Neckties/Shirts	\$750.00	\$775.71
Plaques/Mementos	\$500.00	\$0
Masonic Education	\$600.00	\$0
Masonic Services Association	\$300 00	\$300.00
Name Badges	\$300.00	\$0
Office Supplies:		
Admin Supplies, Postage	\$1,200.00	\$1,589.57
Copier/Computer Supplies	\$575.00	\$1,228 73
PGM's Apron and Jewel	\$750.00	\$423.00
Photography and Printing	\$750.00	\$685 33
Rental (Storage/HMTA)	\$6,000.00	\$5,945.20
Sec.'s Honorarium (\$1,000/mnth)	\$12,000.00	\$12,000 00
Sec's Workshops	\$2,000.00	\$733.38
Tax Preparation Fee	\$700 00	\$700.00
Telephone	\$350.00	\$303.68
Travel	\$13.500.00	\$15,292.41
Treasurer's Expenses	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
Website	\$1,200.00	\$2,090.00
Youth Groups	\$600.00	\$300.00
Exec. Com. Refreshments \$275.00		\$767.01
Rolls Hosting	\$300.00 000	\$0
One Day Class Expenses	\$1,100 00	\$1,600.57
Miscellaneous (Moving etc.)	\$500.00	\$414.52
Donation	\$250.00	\$630.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$53,100.00	\$52,095.82
NET INCOME	\$3,750.00	\$ 546.18
FINANCIAL ASSET SUMMARY - as of April 18, 2018 CASH IN BANK (First Hawaiian Bank) BANK OF HAWAII (Savings) FIRST HAWAIIAN BANK (Building Fund) FIRST HAWAIIAN BANK (Wealth Management)		\$40,997.38 \$6,676.65 \$35,708.91 \$457,140.65
Total Liquid Assets		\$540,523.59

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### INCOME:

2417-2418 Grandmaster's Operating Budget Net (Loss) income	\$546.18
Bank interest	\$4.55
Lodge Supplies (Ciphers, Dues Cards, Background Checks)	\$3,400.65
Pins (Pineapple)	\$270.00
Master's Ritualist Program	\$345.00
ANCOM Dinner (4/22/2017)	\$1,580 00
Insurance	\$4,815.19
ANCOM Dinner (4/21/2018)	\$21,550.76

#### **TOTAL INCOME** \$32.512.33

#### **EXPENSES:**

Conference of Grand Masters	\$735.00
Hawaii Prince Hotel (2018 AnCom Banquet)	\$18.000.00
Masonic Charities of Hawaii	\$1,380.00
2017 AnCom Banquet (Prince Waikiki)	\$940.35
Accurate Graphics. Inc. (Dues Cards)	\$429.22
Insurance	\$4,820.00
Grand Lodge Collar (8) & Case	\$2.614 75
Mori Training/Annual Support	\$3,858.80

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> \$32,778.12
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**BEGINNING BALANCE:** MAY 1,2017 \$41,263.17

INCOME \$32,512.33 EXPENSES (\$32,778.12)

**ENDING BALANCE:** APRIL 30.2018 \$40.997.38

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Treasurer's report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

#### **GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Grand Master next called upon Most Worshipful Brother Marty P. Alexander, PGM to deliver the Grand Secretary's annual report.

Most Worshipful Sir and Esteemed Brothers all,

#### MEMBERSHIP COUNT

First,... let's talk numbers for this last year,...

For the period covering January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 we started off the year with 11 chartered lodges and I am proud to report that while that number didn't increase, it didn't decrease either.

However, a bit of disappointing news is that back in 2014, under a dispensation from our then Grand Master, MW Richard B. Huston, we moved forward with the authorization of a Masonic Club in the Marshall Islands but we have had not been able to make contact with them since mid-2016. We are still holding out hope before taking any official action either way.

Now,.... I have the happy duty to report that at this time all lodges are current in their per-capita payments and all are authorized to have representation at this year's Annual Communication.

We ended the year with 1,649 members.

We had ..

66 Newly Raised Master Masons 11 New Affiliates, and 14 Restorations

For a total of 91 new members. We did however have

54 Suspensions15 Dimits , and21 Brothers who joined the Celestial Lodge Above

For a total of 90 brothers who left our craft for one reason or another.

That left us with an overall increase of 1 member. While this might not sound like a reason to jump for joy and get excited about, it is a lot better than the 65 membership loss we took last year and while yes, it is only 1, it is the first membership increase we have had in last 2 years.

A full membership report including individual lodge membership counts will be published along with the proceedings of this Annual Communication when they come out.

#### RECOGNTIONS REPORT

My Brothers, while we have been approach this year for recognition informally by several Grand Lodges, only three (3) have submitted formal requests.

#### First, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii Inc..

The Grand Lodge of Hawaii and The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Inc. has already recognized each other for years now and it is even codified in our Masonic Code but there has been no formal Amity agreement signed between our two organizations. The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Inc. has reached out to us to f join with them in a formal Amity Agreement. I am pleased to announce that at tomorrow morning's business session, those in attendance will be able to witness that historic event. between our two jurisdictions.

#### Second, The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington DC

The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington DC had requested recognition from us late last year, but once they found out from the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii Inc. that they recognize us as the Grand Lodge of Hawaii, they said that would suffice as formal recognition for them and no further action would be necessary.

#### Next, The Grand Lodge of Korso

A request for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Kosovo was just received on April 19th, 2018 and there was not enough time to vet this request, so unfortunately, it will have to wait until our next Annual Communication to vote on if they meet all the requirements.

#### And Lastly, Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons

Or formally known as The Supreme Legislative Council of Middle East Freemasons of the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons located in Ventura, California.

Their situation, after speaking directly to their Grand Master MW Jamal Saman, is that their Grand Lodge has been in existence since 1942, but because of warring factions in then Lebanon and Syria, they closed their 50+ lodges and went dark. HE indicated they never actually went away and remained in existence though they had to scatter and operate secretly.

About 6 years ago, tensions started to dissipate and they are now trying to come back into the light. Most of their Grand Lodge officers live

somewhere in the United Stated but all of their lodges that they are trying to bring back to light are in Syria.

In reviewing the request for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons submitted to us, it claimed many of the right things and said many of the right words but one thing was clearly omitted, the specific name of the Grand Lodge of origin to constitute their regularity. They state only that their formation was "established lawfully by a duly recognized Grand Lodge or by three or more Lodges"

Seeing how their official mailing address for their Grand Master is in Ventura, California, we sought information from the Grand Lodge of California to see if they had any more information on this as well. We were informed by their Grand Secretary that the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons was not a regular Grand Lodge by their standards and as well as the Grand Lodge of California has no amity agreement with the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons.

Then turning to Most Worshipful Joe C. Harrison, who is the chairman for the Conference of Grand Masters Committee on Recognition, the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons has never even approached them for recognition consideration for as long as he can remember.

With not being able to locate any legitimate source of origin, the review of the request for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Middle East Freemasons was discontinued.

#### **ON-LINE MEMBERSHIP SYSTEM**

#### **ROLLS to MORI**

Our membership tracking system ROLLS had served us well for the past 7 years and had taken us to a level of lodge reporting and membership tracking that we were never able to experience previously with our old system Lodgeical. It had not only made our membership accounting more accurate and more accessible but it had also made our jobs as secretaries easier and requiring much less time.

However, we seemed to have outgrown the ROLLS system's tech support. As well, the programmers of ROLLS have not kept up with today's Internet email requirements regarding spam and phishing. Companies like AOL, Roadrunner and Gmail were blocking a very high percentage of emails that they regarded as "not RFC 5322 compliant."

After experiencing a breakdown in crucial lodge and membership communications in ROLLS over the past year and half because of noncompliant FCC email protocols with the ROLLS system as well as the programmers lack of response to our requests and inquiries, it was time to make a switch.

We considered several other membership systems and after the smoke had settled, the company that stood apart from the others as far as features, expandability, support capabilities and of course cost and affordability is MORI.

Just to give you a little information into the cost of MORI. Years ago when we were first looking at our first on-line membership program, one reason we had gone to ROLLS and not MORI was they originally wanted approximately \$10,000 for the data import and charge about \$550 a month for its use. As MORI started to understand what it financially means to be a small jurisdiction, they slowly came down bit by bit until the cost that was settled on is \$0 for the data import and \$1.20 per member per year.

ROLLS had been costing us \$500 a year and with MORI, it will be approx. \$1,800.00. It might be an increase of \$1,300.00 a year but no amount is worth it if there are communication issues that the company won't fix.

MORI has now been active since last July and the import of data from ROLLS was mostly successful but our secretaries still have a bit of work ahead for them as they need to not only review the imported data for accuracy but also fill in the blanks for new informational fields that not previously available in ROLLS as MORI offers so much more.

#### SECRETARIES' WORKSHOPS

This year, our plan to assist our Lodge Secretaries will come in many forms

On-Site Secretaries' Workshops
Individual 1-on-1 training upon request
MORI Webinars
MORI direct email support
Grand Lodge email support
Grand Lodge phone support

An updated Secretaries Manual featuring MORI was introduced in January 2018

Also, a new Forms Library accessible from our Grand Lodge web site was created so that all of our lodge secretaries will have a place to go to get the most up-to-date Lodge and Grand Lodge forms instead of relying on whatever version they found hanging in their filing cabinet.

We just hope the secretaries will take advantage of the training and support. It doesn't work if it is not used.

Most Worshipful Sir, this concludes the Grand Secretary's report for this year.

With your permission I move to accept this report....

Most Worshipful Sir, thank you for your time.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Secretary's report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

#### **DEPUTY GRAND MASTER PRESENTS 2018-19 BUDGET**

The Grand Master then called upon our Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan, to present the 201-2019 Grand Lodge budget which had been previously circulated to the members of the Finance Committee.

#### INCOME

Affliations	\$300.00
Degrees (\$1.00 per degree)	\$200.00
Dispensations (\$25 per dispensation)	\$300.00
GW Memorial Foundation (\$5 per new initiate)	\$350.00
Grand Lodge (\$20 per new initiate)	\$1,400.00
Hawaii Masonic Charities (\$15 per new initiate)	\$1,050.00
Per Capita Tax (\$26.00 x 1700)	\$44,200.00
Donation/Other Income	\$3,000.00
Fast Class (\$100.00 x 55)	\$5,500.00

**TOTAL INCOME** \$56,300.00

#### **EXPENSES**

\$1,500.00
\$2,000.00
\$300.00
\$250.00
\$1,500.00
\$100.00
\$500.00
\$950.00

Grand Lodge Neckties	\$850.00
Plaques/Mementos	\$600.00
Masonic Education	\$500.00
Masonic Services Association Dues	\$300.00
Name Badges	\$500.00
Office Supplies	
Administrative Supplies (Postage, etc.)	\$1,000.00
Copier/Computer Supplies	\$800.00
Past Grand Master's Apron & Jewel	\$650.00
Photography and Printing	\$750.00
Rental (HMTA)	\$6,000.00
Secretary's Honorarium (\$1000 per month)	\$12,000.00
Secretary's Workshop/Leadership Workshop	\$1,000.00
Grand Secretary California AnCom Travel	\$1,500.00
Grand Secretary Western Conference/ C GM of NA	\$2,200.00
Tax Preparation Fee	\$750.00
Telephone	\$250.00
Travel (Greater of \$12000 or 23.4% of Revenue)	\$13,000.00
Treasurer's Expenses	\$1,800.00
Website	\$1,250.00
Youth Groups	\$500.00
Executive Committee Meeting Refreshments	\$275.00
Rolls Hosting	\$300.00
Fast Class Expenses	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$500.00

#### **TOTAL EXPENSES** \$55,375.00

#### **NET INCOME** \$925.00

After a brief discussion, it was regularly moved and seconded to accept the 2018 – 2019 budget as presented. Motion was carried.

#### **GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS**

Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez then vacated the Grand East so that he could deliver his State of the Craft Address with the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan, occupying his seat.

Aloha My Brothers All,

I begin with mixed emotions as my time as your Grand Master draws near to its end. I am sad because my term will soon be over. However, I am very thankful for the opportunity to serve this Grand Jurisdiction. I will always cherish the kindness and courtesies extended to me as I have visited and attended constituent lodges in our jurisdiction. Also for the honor of representing The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Hawaii as I traveled to other Grand Jurisdictions for their Annual Communications. It was also a great privileged to meet and make friends with Brethren from many Jurisdictions in North America as I attended the Western Conference of Grand Masters and the Conferences of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of North America for the past several years.

Brethren, our Lodge membership is our most important asset. I am pleased to report that we have raised 61 new master masons this past grand lodge Masonic year. While I am positive of the great influence we have as Freemasons to our new brethren, yet I am also greatly concerned about the issues that some of our Lodges are facing. I find that we are unprepared of the issues that are on the horizon. Issues brought by political, social, cultural and technological change. Things are happening today, that we would have never believed possible only a few years ago.

We as Masons must adjust to the constant changes around us and still try to hold fast to our Ancient Landmarks and Tenants of our craft. Young men from different walks of life are knocking at our doors with new enthusiasm, new ideas and devotion. We must mentor these new Brothers with a positive, productive vision for taking Freemasonry into the Twenty-First Century.

I struggle to find a few meager words adequate enough to thank the following brethren for allowing me the honor of serving them as their Grand Master.

I want to thank the elected grand line officers: Rt. Wor. Wilson Camagan, Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Alex Escasa., Senior Grand Warden, Rt. Wor. Gary Graham, Junior Grand Warden, Hon. Bert Alarcon,

Grand Treasurer, M.W. Marty Alexander, PGM and Grand Secretary, and M.W. Dennis Ing, PGM and Grand for their support.

To M. W. Marty Alexander, PGM and Grand Secretary and M.W Dennis Ing, PGM and Grand Lecturer, thank you both for your wise counsel, advice and work performed for me. You were always there for me when I needed advice and counsel and I thank you for that.

To Hon. Alberto "Bert" Alarcon, Grand Treasurer for the assurances that the funds of the Grand Lodge are properly maintained.

To all the Brethren who were always there when we needed a helping hand and prefer to remain anonymous, I know who you are and will always be indebted to you.

To Helen, the love of my life and my wife: I can't express in words my love and appreciation for your love and the sacrifices you made supporting me through the years I have been active in this Great Fraternity of Masonry.

It was then regularly moved and seconded to accept the Grand Master's message. Motion was carried.

When Most Worshipful Alvarez resumed his chair in the East, he then called the Grand Lodge of Hawaii from Labor to refreshment to be called on again at the sound of the gavel in the East at 9 am sharp Saturday morning.

## SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION APRIL 21, 2018

After Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez, Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii called the Grand Lodge of Hawaii from refreshment and resumed labor at 9:00 am. he then called upon Worshipful Brother Raymund Liongson, our Grand Orator for this year's grand oration.

#### **GRAND ORATION**

Brothers all, good morning.

In 2005, the year I was raised as a Master Mason, I received a Grand Master's pin from the MW Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr. On that pin was a simple yet profound and timeless dictum. Embossed with the Square and Compass, it boldly stated: CORNERSTONE TO PEACE.

Note that it says "Cornerstone to Peace" not "of peace".

I have reflected on this pin for some time. It suggests a solid foundation and a continuing journey to a noble goal. It is an acknowledgement of a demanding task and an assertion of a promising capacity. It reflects the yin and the yang of our contemporary time -- that of difficulties and opportunities.

#### Change and Chaos

We all agree that the only permanent thing in the world is constant change. Our demography has changed, technology has advanced, thoughts have evolved, relationships have morphed. Consequently, how we do a lot of things have likewise changed. We have also learned that while change can sometimes result in chaos, chaos also has the potential to stimulate and bring about change. Both change and chaos have the capacity of dismantling something beneficial. But they also have the power of creating an opportunity for growth and advancement. It is in the latter creative and constructive capacity that we strive for.

#### Global Situationer

Let us step back for a moment and look into what is happening in our current global system. Many of the so-called "development initiatives" have actually created serious human concerns. Our planet is gasping for clean air, its waters choked with waste, its face mutilated and ravaged. There is poverty and disparity in every corner of the world -- from the glittering cities to the parched countryside. While rich throw-away societies discard to waste up to over a quarter of their food, many impoverished

nations are constantly faced by famine and starvation. Human rights violations continue to rob the life and dignity of millions of people. We hear of xenophobia and genocide, torture and extrajudicial killings, human trafficking and enslavement. The world is assaulted by corruption and arrogance, greed and selfishness, falsehoods and ignorance. Even families escape not the sharp jab of disconnectedness and domestic violence. And all the victims share one essential experience: the debasement of human dignity.

These crises are man-made, mostly rooted from the erosion of moral principles and the decadence of human compassion -- all requiring systemic solutions going beyond band-aid fixes.

#### Masonic Framework

The 21st century is an age of perplexing global change, a fact that is daunting even to the more seasoned leaders. How do we navigate through these challenges? What is our role in bringing about constructive change? How do Masonic ideals and principles fit into this enormous task?

It is casual to say that there is nothing we can do to address these global issues and simply walk away. Resignation has always been a convenient excuse. But the true test of our ritual proficiency is the application of the principles of our fraternity, not only for our individual progress but for societal advancement as well. This is where the relevance of Freemasonry is put to test -- our participation, if not leadership, in the effort to redeem humanity.

Speaking at a Masonic Lodge in Madrid in 1883, Dr. Jose Rizal -- a Filipino intellectual, polymath, martyr and Freemason -- said:

"The duty of modern man . . . is to work for the redemption of humanity. [And] humanity cannot be redeemed so long as there are oppressed peoples, so long as there are some men who live on the tears of many, so long as there are emasculated minds and blinded eyes that enable others to live like [rulers] who alone may enjoy beauty. Humanity cannot be redeemed while reason is not free, while faith would want to impose itself on facts, while whims are laws, and while there are nations who subjugate others." (La Solidaridad Lodge No. 53)

These were words spoken 135 years ago but they still remain true today. And as we take pride in the work and achievements of great men and Masons in the past, let us likewise take a bite of the burden to continue their work and preserve the value of their achievements.

Responding to the challenges of today's changes and chaos inescapably invokes the fundamental Masonic principles and cardinal virtues -- those of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth; those of temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice; and those of morality, equality and rectitude. Indeed, it is inevitable that we frame our diagnosis of and prescriptions to most societal ills within a Masonic thinking.

This is why Masonry is a cornerstone to peace. Much of what it takes to attain and preserve peace are ingrained in the teachings of Masonry. The molding of human character -- that compassion for others, the fortitude and courage to stand and fight for what is right and just, the uwavering commitment to truth -- is a part of our Masonic journey and certainly an element in the broad process of achieving and preserving peace.

#### An Ultimate Human Aspiration

Peace is among the ultimate human aspirations. Ironically, it appears that is is becoming a more elusive dream to achieve. Many fail to recognize "the whole human species as one family" and are divided by the walls of hatred and indifference because of their varying races, countries, sect, and opinions. Others have dismissed truth as the "foundation of every virtue" and have resorted to lies, propaganda, and disinformation. Justice itself has become a casualty, or one that can only be accessed by those who have the resources to obtain it. Wealth and power have become the currency of the time.

These conditions are anathema to peace and we need to restore and propagate brotherly love, compassion, and justice without which peace is not possible.

As Freemasons, we share the burden of laying the cornerstone for a peaceful world -- much like how those who came before us used the Masonic tools to lay the foundation of a free, just and peaceful society. As an individual, we are obligated to live according to the Masonic principles and model them for others. For those who have some leverage in certain institutions, you have the distinct and unique opportunity to weave into the social fabric the Masonic ideals and influence larger systems. As leaders, we have the capacity to create or recreate environments that are more accepting, humane, and rational. If we take pride in being the oldest and largest fraternity in the world, we should not dodge the challenge of becoming a part of the solution to many of our global woes.

In the process, as we remain faithful to the landmarks and principles of our fraternity, we will need to be open to new, creative, and more efficient ways of achieving our goals, tapping available and appropriate technologies, new knowledge, and enriched social network.

In any case, let us be instruments of change, antidotes to chaos and destructiveness, and vehicles of peace. And let us begin with ourselves and in our families, in our lodges and in our neighborhoods, in our communities and in every social space within our reach.

May peace be with us all. I wish you all a good day.

When all business had been completed, Most Worshipful Alvarez asked if any brother had anything else to bring before this Grand Lodge as it was now time for the election of the 2018 Grand Lodge Officers. He reminded us that our Masonic Code state

#### BEFORE BALLOTING ON OUR RESOLUTIONS BEGAN.......

Most Worshipful Alvarez spoke of the fellowship and the mutual recognition that we have shared over the years with the our Hawaii Prince Hall brothers but there had never been any document officially signed between our two jurisdictions to recognize this.

Most Worshipful Alvarez then directed our Grand Marshal to escort The Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons in Hawaii, Most Worshipful Howard Covington, west of the altar where they met together on the level to sign an Amity Agreement. The signing if this historic document witnessed by all present was a physical manifesting of the mutual respect and brotherly love that we have shared for many years.

Here within is the true and exact wording of that historic document.

#### TREATY OF AMITY BETWEEN

## THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE, F&AM OF HAWAII AND THE MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE, F&AM OF HAWAII

Whereas the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free & Accepted Masons of Hawaii (hereinafter "the Grand Lodge of Hawaii"), was constituted in Honolulu, Hawaii, on May 20, 1989; and

Whereas, the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free & Accepted Masons of Hawaii and Its Jurisdiction, Inc. (hereinafter "the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii"), was constituted in Honolulu, Hawaii, on June 2, 2001; and

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii trace their origins to Ancient Craft Masonry, subscribe and conform to the Principles of Recognition and the Ancient Landmarks or Freemasonry, in particular, the Three Great Lights of Masonry, belief in God, and the immortality of the soul;

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii desire to formalize their recognition of each other (and their constituent bodies and members) as "regular", and to maintain mutual, continual and perpetual respect and friendship for each other;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby mutually agreed as follows:

- 1. The Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii recognize each other as separate sovereign Masonic bodies over their respective constituent lodges, the members of such constituent lodges wherever situated and all Masons and Prince Hall Masons, respectively, situated within the jurisdiction of Hawaii.
- 2. The Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, and their respective constituent bodies and members, mutually recognize each other as "regular" Masonic bodies and "regular" Masons, having equal standing and stature in every respect.
- 3. The Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, their respective constituent bodies and members, shall have complete rights of visitation to each other's meetings and assemblies, whether or not tiled, and all courtesies and privileges related thereto, to the same extent granted to all other Masons in good standing.
- 4. The Grand Lodge of Hawaii and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, their constituent bodies and members shall grant to each other the such other rights, privileges and courtesies as are consistent with amity, mutual friendship and Masonic intercourse extended to their own constituent bodies and members; provided, that nothing contained in this treaty shall entitle a member of one Grand Lodge or constituent lodge to become officers or members of the other's Grand Lodge or constituent lodge.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Treaty of Amity is entered into on this 21st day of April, 2018.

MW Howard L. Covington	MW Albert B. Alvarez
Grand Master	Grand Master
Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Inc.	Grand Lodge of Hawaii
Attest to:	Attest To:
RW Donald Overton	MW Marty P. Alexander ,PGM
Grand Secretary	Grand Secretary
Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Inc.	Grand Lodge of Hawaii

#### **2017 GRAND MASTER'S DECISIONS**

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#### 2018 PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS SYNOPSIS

The Grand Master then called upon Most Worshipful Frank M. Condello II, chairman of our jurisprudence committee to present the Grand Master's Decisions and proposed resolutions for this year. The Credential Committees final report was that there were 59 possible votes registered and all 11 lodges with representation present.

The Following is a synopsis of the legislation presented along with the voting outcomes. The full form of each proposed resolution along with the Jurisprudence Committee recommendations were distributed to each lodge previously.

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<b>RESOLU</b>	TIONS			
2018-01	Identifying Policy and Long Range Planning	Passed	50 - 0	100%
	Committee			
2018-02	Report of Annual Temple Association Officers	Passed	49 - 1	98%
	and Directors along with Annual Report			
2018-03	Investment Committee Annual Review of	Passed	47 - 3	94%
	Grand Lodge of Hawaii insurance policy			
2018-04	Clarification of Life Membership Fee Structure	Passed	50 - 0	100%

The results of the voting will be sent to the Worshipful Master and Secretary of each lodge via email as well as be available for review on the Grand Lodge web site.

When all business had been completed, Most Worshipful Alvarez asked if any brother had anything else to bring before this Grand Lodge as it was now time for the election of the 2018 Grand Lodge Officers. He reminded us that our Masonic Code

states that the election of officers shall be the last item of business at our Annual Communication, so once we start the election process, no other items of business may be presented.

There being none, the election process began with the following results

#### **ELECTION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS**

The following Grand Lodge officers were then elected to serve for the 2018 – 2019 Grand Lodge year.

Grand Master	Wilson S. Camagan
Deputy Grand Master	Alexander A. Escasa
Senior Grand Warden	Garry Graham
Junior Grand Warden	Edde T. Kanai
Grand Treasurer	Alberto P. Alarcon
Grand Secretary	Marty P. Alexander, PGM
Grand Lecturer	Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM

Upon completion of the election of officers at 11:40 am, Most Worshipful Alvarez then called the Grand Lodge of Hawaii from labor to refreshment until 3:00 p.m. this afternoon for the public Installation of Grand Lodge Officers.

#### **INSTALLATION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS**

The Installation of officers for the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii began at 3:00 pm. With Most Worshipful Richard B. Huston PGM as Installing Officer; Most Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser PGM as Installing Master of Ceremonies, and Right Worshipful Severino Malajito PSGW as Installing Chaplain the 2018 Grand Lodge officers were installed as follows:

## Grand Lodge Officers 2018 – 2019.

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Senior Grand Warden	Garry Graham
Junior Grand Warden	Edde T. Kanai
Grand Treasurer	Alberto P. Alarcon
Grand Secretary	Marty P. Alexander, PGM
Grand Lecturer	Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM
Grand Chaplain	Randy V.N. Albano
Grand Orator	Robert A. Schultz
Grand Marshal	Aaron P. Daguio
Grand Standard Bearer	Douglas E. Crum
Grand Sword Bearer	Scott-Michael K. Waracka
Grand Bible Bearer	Vincent L. Gusman
Senior Grand Deacon	Arnold C. Sarinas
Junior Grand Deacon	Jared A. Namumnart
Senior Grand Steward	David H. Gomes
Junior Grand Steward	Bernard C. Baldueza
Grand Historian	Herman K. Wilson
Grand Organist	Lee D. Gordon
Grand Pursuivant	Dado C. Lajola
Grand Tiler	Lee K. Kaneakua

#### **Grand Lodge Inspectors**

Mark P. Leo Seth A. Connell Michael D. Janovsky Kevin R. Perdue Chris N. Kaminaka Karvel C. Rose Michael J. Lopez Darryl E. Lajola Donovan W. Young J. Daniel Miller Dustin T. Verity After the installation of the 2018 – 2019 Grand Lodge officers, our newly installed Grand Master, Most Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan addressed the assembly, to wit;

#### **GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS**

MW Sirs, RW Sirs, Worshipful Sirs, Esteemed Brothers & Sisters in masonry, and my dear families and friends.

First and foremost, let me express my thanks to our Almighty Father, Great Architect and Ruler of the Universe in guiding me with wisdom, strength, and beauty in my 25 years of masonry and traveling to the Grand East.

Second, to my most wonderful wife Maria for her undying love and support. "I love you honey." Please stand. Let me introduce my two lovely daughters, Supreme Deputy and Past Grand Worthy Advisor in Hawaii of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, Marianne and Past Grand Worthy Advisor Meilaneh. My three grandsons, "THE RUFFIANS" members of Demolay's Hawaiian Chapter, Gabriel, Kyle and Matthew. My princess grand daughter, Natalie, a future Rainbow girl in the next few years.

With all due respect, please allow me to acknowledge the presence of my families in my home province of Iloilo Philippines, who travelled to be with us today, headed by personal representative of Scottish Rite in Visayan region Illustrious Tommy Que and his lady Linda Que together with his delegates please stand up. To you brother Manny Jamandre, thank you for helping me out and coordinating with me the travel information and accommodations.

The Central Philippines University class of 1975 nursing Alumnifrom Chicago, New Jersey, New York, California, Nevada, as my dear families and classmates of my dear wife Maria, thank you for sharing your time from your busy time in the hospital. You ladies are the true backbone for her and by your example of true love to each other in good times and in bad times in supporting in one another.

To Paul and Manang Evelyn Ramos, Mario and Jocelyn Augilar, Sunday Tupas, Jorlene Saludo, thank you for your love and support.

Four years ago, I stood before this Grand Lodge to accept a single nomination to the position of JGW. At this point of time, I stand again before you to serve in my utmost capacity as your Grand Master as well as a "STEWARD" of this jurisdiction. My beloved brethren believe in me, in my leadership, and love of masonry. I truly believe that those who believe

will always be there for the betterment of masonry and for the Grand Lodge of Hawaii in particular. The encouragement, the support will start at this point right now.

I extend my profound gratitude to my installing team: MW Rick B. Houston as my installing officer who travelled from his home state of Montana with his lovely lady, MW Andrew L. Geiser who I have the privilege to travel with, during his term as a Grand Master together with his lovely lady Phyliss and with my lovely lady Maria, we developed our bond together. To my dear esteemed brother, RW Ben Malajito as my installing Chaplin and my dear good friend and brother, Jun Cui serving as my organist who travelled from San Diego, thank you all so much!

To our late MW Charlie Wegener Jr., who never lost his hope in nominating me to be in the grand line, thank you so much! MW Charlie, your dream has come true. I know that your spirit will shine upon me and believe that I will continue your program, the building of our Temple. Brethren, please join with me in memory of MW Charlie of his dream, my dream and your dream to make this happen. Let us emulate the late Dr. Martin Luther King of his well-known words, "I HAVE A DREAM." Let us join together, in our dreams to have our future temple and in doing this, you will be honest to say that you are a part of it.

To all the PGMs, who I serve most, I thank you for giving me the privilege to serve you, you are all the true trail blazers of our grand lodge.

To all the Grand Masters and PGMs of other jurisdictions such as MW John Heisner, MW Frank Louie, MW Ed Bosquete, MW Mike Sanders, MW Victor Ortiz, and others who are not with us, I thank you for your friendship, love and support.

Every Master Mason of this jurisdiction, I encourage you to overcome the challenge to be the recipient of the Master's ritualist and Master lecturer. We are not competing with other Masons all over the world, but we must call ourselves and be proud to call ourselves "marinated Masons" in our small jurisdiction.

I will encourage Leeward & Schofield Lodge in continuing the joint degree, as well as Kona & Kilauea Lodge; Pearl Harbor & Le Progres de L'Oceanie; Hawaiian and Koolau. My brethren let us encourage to continue this lodge interaction and build a mutual understanding and friendship to promote the harmony and unity as one family.

We will continue to expand our relationship in Asian countries, western conference and other global conferences in order to share our knowledge, interactions and developing our close relationships with other

jurisdictions and in the betterment in the governing of masonry in our jurisdiction.

I will encourage all of my Grand Line Officers and members to support the programs of all concordant bodies by attending their special occasions in promoting our love and affection. And by all means we should encourage our wives to be members of them.

To our youth group, the Hawaiian Chapter of Demolay and the Rainbow Girls of Hawaii are the future leaders of our country, our government, and private/public sectors. Let us not turn back ourselves, but we must support in their goals in increasing their members.

To our dear wives and sisters, especially the widows, we thank you so much of your love and support and you will not be forgotten.

Lastly, I extend to you all my fervent and mucho mahalo for coming to this auspicious celebration today, may our almighty father bless you and shower you with good health, and strength.

Aloha!

After his address, Most Worshipful Camagan invited all Grand Lodge of Hawaii Past Grand Masters west of the altar for introductions.

The Past Grand Masters present were as follows:

2007	Most Worshipful Oscar M. Jayme
2008	Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing
2009	Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander
2011	Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover
2012	Most Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya
2013	Most Worshipful Frank M. Condello II
2014	Most Worshipful Richard B. Huston
2015	Most Worshipful Michael P. Baker Sr.
2016	Most Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser
2017	Most Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez

At that point, it was discovered that Most Worshipful Alvarez was not properly clad as he was wearing a white lambskin apron. To remedy this situation, he was then presented with his Past Grand Master's apron, collar and jewel.

Most Worshipful Camagan then acknowledged our visiting dignitaries by having them rise and introduce themselves along with any brothers that might be traveling with them.

After presentations were completed, Most Worshipful Wilson Camagan then closed the 2018 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii by proclamation.

Respectfully Submitted

Marty P. Alexander PGM, Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge of Hawaii F&AM



#### **APPENDIX**

2017 Grand Master's Decisions Summaries & Voting Results

2018 Resolutions W/ Jurisprudence Reports & Voting Results – Full Form

2017 Grand Lodge membership counts and List of Lodges

List of Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii

2018 Annual Communication Credentials Committee Report

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## Resolutions presented At the 2018 Annual Communication With Jurisprudence Committee Reports And Voting Results

## GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2018-01

#### **Identifying Policy and Long Range Planning Committee**

Required 2/3 Received: 100% (50-0) Result Passed

This Resolution seeks to identify committee members and a chairman for the Grand Lodge of Hawaii's Committee on Policy and Long Range Planning as listed in §1206 of the Hawaii Masonic Code .

**WHEREAS**, Section §1206 of the Hawaii Masonic Code outlines the duties and responsibilities for our Committee on Policy and Long Range Planning, it does not however assign those duties and responsibilities to anyone in particular, and

**WHEREAS**, having those selections codified in our Masonic Code would lead to more consistent and effective committee participation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Section §1206 of the Hawaii Masonic Code have the following wording added to the end of that section:

The Committee on Policy and Long Range Planning shall consist of the following persons and no others; The Junior Past Grand Master who will be the chairman and the Worshipful Masters of each lodge

Dated: November 26, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

Marty P. Alexander, PGM Grand Secretary Proponent

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE Grand Lodge of Hawaii

#### Proposed Resolution No. 2018-01

#### **Identifying Policy and Long Range Planning Committee**

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

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2018-01 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution seeks to identify committee members and a chairman for the Grand Lodge of Hawaii's Committee on Policy and Long Range Planning as listed in § 1206 of the Hawaii Masonic Code. Currently, the HMC does not assign the duties and responsibilities of this committee to anyone in particular. This resolution would codify that the Committee on Policy and Long Range Planning would have the Junior Past Grand Master as the Chairman, and the Worshipful Masters of each lodge within the Grand Lodge of Hawaii as members.

The proponent argues that having this resolution codified would lead to more consistent and effective committee participation.

The proposed legislation is in proper form and its subject is appropriate for the Grand Lodge to consider. As it intends to amend the HMC, it requires a 2/3 vote of the Grand Lodge for passage.

Dated: 2/9/2018

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Condello II, PGM, *Chair* Dennis A. Ing, PGM, *Member* 

## GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2018-02

### Report of Annual Temple Association Officers and Directors along with Annual Report

Required 2/3 Received: 98% (49-1) Result Passed

This Resolution seeks to have all Temple Associations report who their officers and committee members are to the Grand Lodge at the same time they submit their Annual Report.

**WHEREAS**, The Grand Lodge has the need throughout the year to communicate with a Temple Associations directors and even more so with the Temple Associations officers, and

**WHEREAS**, there is no other prescribed method for obtaining that information, it is typically very difficult to get accurate contact information,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Section §2305(5) of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended as follows:

5. Annually on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of July, each Masonic Temple Association shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a full and correct report of its transactions for the twelve months preceding the first day of July in such form as may be provided.

Such report shall include a statement of assets, liabilities and net worth <u>as well as a list of all officers and directors of the association</u> as of the end of such twelve-month period. Masonic Temple Associations formed during such twelve-month period shall transmit a report from the date of incorporation.

Dated: November 20, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

Marty P. Alexander, PGM Grand Secretary Proponent

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE Grand Lodge of Hawaii

#### Proposed Resolution No. 2018-02

## Report of Annual Temple Association Officers and Directors along with Annual Report

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

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2018-02 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution seeks to amend the current section of the Hawaii Masonic Code to include wording that a list of all officers and directors of a temple association be included with the required annual report.

The proponent argues that without such an amendment, it is difficult for the Grand Lodge to get accurate contact information and communicate with directors and temple association members throughout the year.

The proposed legislation is in proper form and its subject is appropriate for the Grand Lodge to consider. As it intends to amend the HMC, it requires a 2/3 vote of the Grand Lodge for passage.

Dated: 2/9/2018

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Condello II, PGM, *Chair* Dennis A. Ing, PGM, *Member* 

## GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2018-03

Investment Committee Annual Review of Grand Lodge of Hawaii insurance policy.

Required 2/3 Received: 94% (47-3) Result Passed

Annually the Grand Lodge of Hawaii secures insurance coverage for the Grand Hawaii jurisdiction. In an effort to reduce duplication of coverage and thereby reduce costs this proposed resolution would require the constituent Lodges to submit a copy of their coverage policies within 45 days of purchase to the Grand Lodge Secretary. These policies would be forwarded to the Investment Committee and compared to the Grand Lodge policies in an effort to reduce redundancies and reduce Grand Lodge policy expenditures.

The overview of this review will be conducted by the standing Committee on Investments and its finding reported to the Deputy Grand Warden for his submission to the executive committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that §1238 of the Hawaii Masonic Code be amended to read as follows (new matter is underscored, deleted material is crossed out):

§1238. COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS. The Committee on Investments shall be appointed by successive Grand Masters from among the members of Grand Lodge with experience in the broad field of investments. Each successive Grand Master shall designate one of the members of said Committee as Chairman and another as vice-Chairman to serve in said capacity during the tenure of said Grand Master and until a successor in said capacity is designated. The Grand Master may, but need not, appoint the Grand Treasurer, the Assistant Grand Treasurer, or representatives of any Grand Lodge entity as one or more of his appointees to said Committee.

This Committee, or a majority thereof, is empowered to invest and reinvest the funds of this Grand Lodge.

This Committee, or a majority thereof, is empowered to review proposed insurance policies of the Grand Lodge with copies of those of the Constituent Lodges which are required to be submitted to the Grand Secretary within 45 days of purchase for further delivery to the Investment Committee. The committee's recommendations will be referred to the Deputy Grand Warden for his submission to the executive committee.

Dated: December 15, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

Garry Graham, JGW Proponent

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE Grand Lodge of Hawaii

#### **Proposed Resolution No. 2018-03**

## Investment Committee Annual Review Of Grand Lodge of Hawaii insurance policy

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

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2018-03 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution seeks to amend the current section of the Hawaii Masonic Code to include wording that would require constituent lodges to submit a copy of their insurance coverage policies within 45 days of purchase to the Grand Lodge Secretary.

The proponent argues that having this amendment codified would reduce redundancies and reduce Grand Lodge insurance policy expenditures, and allow the Grand Lodge Investment Committee to compare lodge policies to the Grand Lodge policy.

The proposed legislation is in proper form and its subject is appropriate for the Grand Lodge to consider. As it intends to amend the HMC, it requires a 2/3 vote of the Grand Lodge for passage.

Dated: 2/9/2018

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Condello II, PGM, *Chair* Dennis A. Ing, PGM, *Member* 

## GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04 Clarification of Life Membership Fee Structure

Required 2/3 Received: 100% (50-0) Result Passed

HMC §2804 provides that a lodge's standing resolution for application fees paid by members "under age 49" will be 21 times annual dues. The next category is for members "50 to 54". Thus, those who are age 49 are technically not covered, although the practice has been to treat such members as though they are under age 49.

Therefore, it is proposed that HMC §2804 be amended as follows (*deleted material is crossed out, new material is underscored*):

**§2804. LIFE MEMBERSHIP**. A Lodge may adopt a standing resolution providing for a system of life membership, which shall forever exempt a member from the payment of dues therein. Said resolution or any amendment thereto shall not be acted upon at the stated meeting at which it is introduced, nor until notice in

writing thereof shall have been forwarded by mail to every member of the Lodge. It must provide that life membership shall be granted upon payment of a sum of money equal to the annual dues of the Lodge multiplied by the factor indicated opposite the member's age in the following schedule:

Under a Age 49 and under, 21 times annual dues; 50 to 54 inclusive, 19 times annual dues; 55 to 59 inclusive, 17 times annual dues; 60 to 64 inclusive, 14 times annual dues;

65 and over, 11 times annual dues;

Life membership shall then become an executed contract requiring the consent of the Lodge and the life member to rescind it. Said resolution shall take effect only upon its approval by the Grand Master.

When the annual dues of the Lodge are increased, the Lodge's standing life membership resolution shall be deemed to have been amended, without further action of the Lodge.

Dated: December 18, 2017. Submitted by,

Dennis A. Ing, PGM Grand Lecturer Proponent

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE Grand Lodge of Hawaii

#### Proposed Resolution No. 2018-04

#### Clarification of Life Membership Fee Structure

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

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which proposed Resolution 2018-04 has been referred, reports as follows:

This resolution seeks to amend § 2804 of the Hawaii Masonic Code, to clarify that all brethren 49 years old and under will pay 21 times annual dues when applying for a life membership. Currently, the code covers brethren under age 49 and then age 50 - 54, leaving brethren who are 49 not technically covered.

The proponent argues that the amendment to this section of the code will allow for brethren of all ages to be covered for Life Membership eligibility.

The proposed legislation is in proper form and its subject is appropriate for the Grand Lodge to consider. As it intends to amend the HMC, it requires a 2/3 vote of the Grand Lodge for passage.

Dated: 2/9/2018

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Condello II, PGM, *Chair* Dennis A. Ing, PGM, *Member* 

## Lodges constituted under the Grand Lodge of Hawaii January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017

#### Grand Lodge of Hawaii - Constituted May 20, 1989

	Grand Master Deputy Grand Master Senior Grand Warder Junior Grand Warder	์ า	Albert B. Alvare Wilson S. Cama Alexander A. Es Garry Graham	_ agan
Annual Membership	Count Since Electronic	c Age	(Calendar years	s)
	2009 (1740) +41 2013 (1785) +8 2017 (1649) -12			
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Honolulu Lodge - Constituted May 20, 1989 (First chartered in 1895 - Scotland)				
Kauai Lodge - Constituted May 20, 1989 (First chartered in 1924 - California)				
Kilauea Lodge - Constituted May 20, 1989 (First chartered in 1897 - California)				
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Ko'olau Lodge - Constituted May 20, 1989 (First chartered in 1961 - California)				

(First chartered in 1914 - California)

#### Past Grand Masters - Grand Lodge of Hawaii

\* Indicates the Brother listed has dropped his working tools and entered the Celestial Grand Lodge Above

1989 *	William K. McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
1990 *	William K. McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
1991 *	William K. McKee, Jr.	Waikiki
1992 *	Ernest Y. Yamane	Hawaiian
1993 *	David K. Lindsey	Honolulu
1994 *	Frederick H. Overstreet	Le Progres De L'Oceanie
1995 *	Richard W.M. Dang	Le Progres De L'Oceanie
1996 *	Bennett K.C. Ing	Schofield
1997 *	Stuart M. Cowan	Pearl Harbor
1998 *	Paul D. Jones	Le Progres De L'Oceanie
1999	Randy T.S. Chang	Hawaiian
2000 *	Mason E. Teter	Kilauea
2001 *	Donald W. Wilson	Ko'olau
2002	Lyle G. Phillips	Hawaiian
2003	A. Lee Skinner	Pearl Harbor
2004	Walter L. Hager	Maui
2005	Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr	Ko'olau
2006 *	Bruce H. Bonnell	Pearl Harbor
2007	Oscar M. Jayme	Hawaiian
2008	Dennis S.A. Ing	Hawaiian
2009	Marty P. Alexander	Maui
2010 *	Charles L. Wegener Jr.	Ko'olau
2011	Monty J. Glover	Honolulu
2012	Antonio M. Ligaya	Hawaiian
2013	Frank M. Condello II	Honolulu
2014	Richard B. Huston	Hawaiian
2015	Michael P. Baker Sr.	Kona
2016	Andrew L. Geiser	Le Progres De L'Oceanie
2017	Albert B. Alvarez	Leeward

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

#### 2018 (30th) Grand Lodge of Hawaii Annual Communication

Location: Scottish Rite Cathedral 1611 Kewalo St., Honolulu, Hawaii

Date: April 20 - 21, 2018

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren all:

The Credentials Committee, having attended to its duties, herein presents its final credentials report for this Grand Session.

There were represented in this Grand Lodge Communication:

Lodges Represented: 11

Registered Voters Count is:

Lodge Masters: 10 Lodge Senior Wardens: 9 Lodge Junior Wardens: 8 Past Masters Reps: 10 Grand Lodge Officers: 7 Past Grand Masters: 9

Total Registered Votes: 53

Non-Voting Members: 52

Total GL of Hawaii Members Present: 105

Visiting Brothers from other jurisdictions: 42