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Letter of Endorsement in Support of Dr. Poison Waters for Queen Mother II of the Americas

To the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court Board of Directors and College of Monarchs, and the International Court Council Nomination Committee.

It is my distinct honor and privilege to offer my strongest possible endorsement of Dr. Poison Waters for nomination as Queen Mother II of the Americas within the International Court System.

As someone who has been a dues paid member of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon and the broader International Court System for over 20 years, I understand firsthand the extraordinary leadership, commitment, visibility, and compassion required to serve at this level. My journey within the Court System has shown me that true leadership is measured not by title, but by service.

There are few individuals who embody that principle more completely than Dr. Poison Waters.

Professionally, I have had the privilege of hiring Poison Waters to participate in and emcee numerous events throughout my career, including major events connected to regional and national financial institutions and nonprofit organizations. Time and again, I have witnessed Poison's unparalleled ability to bring people together, elevate missions, inspire generosity, and create spaces where communities feel seen, valued, and celebrated.

Poison is not simply an entertainer, she is a trusted civic leader, advocate, educator, fundraiser, and ambassador for our LGBTQ+ community. I have watched nonprofit organizations place their trust in Poison for some of their largest and most meaningful events because they know what she delivers: professionalism, authenticity, dignity, joy, and impact.

For nearly four decades, Poison has dedicated herself to charitable causes across Oregon and beyond, supporting organizations including Cascade AIDS Project, Dress for Success Oregon, DoveLewis, the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the Oregon Humane Society, and countless others. Her lifetime of service includes leadership within the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, recognition from civic and community organizations, teaching Portland drag history, directing Camp KC for children impacted by HIV, advocacy work, and historic fundraising efforts including co-producing Drag-a-Thon, which raised more than \$300,000 for LGBTQ+ youth support.

Her service record speaks for itself.

Her impact speaks even louder.

Poison Waters represents the very best of what the International Court System was founded to uphold: dignity, inclusion, philanthropy, activism, visibility, and community care. Founded in 1965 by José Sarria, our Court System has long stood as one of the world's most important LGBTQ+ charitable movements. Queen Mother II of the Americas should be someone who honors that legacy while carrying it boldly into the future.

Poison Waters is that leader.

As someone who has dedicated both my professional career and personal life to advancing equity, supporting nonprofits, and building stronger communities, I can say without hesitation that Poison possesses the vision, credibility, compassion, and international presence necessary to serve our organization at this historic moment.

Her leadership reflects not only Oregon and the Pacific Northwest, it reflects the very heart of the International Court System.

I offer my endorsement with immense pride and unwavering confidence on this 25th day of May, 2026.

Respectfully,

Andrew Tweedie

Crown Prince of the Americas

Order of the Double Eagle