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## “Building on The Firm Foundation of Our Historic Legacy”

### DIRECTIVE CCC 2020-8

December 28, 2020

To: Grand Worthy Matron, Renae Willis; Grand Worthy Patron Gregory L. Allen; All Grand Chapter Officers - Present and Past; Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons; Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of The Eastern Star, P.H.A., Inc. State of Ohio; All Grand Lodge Trustee, MW Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Past Masters, and Brethren of the Subordinate Lodges of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons

Greetings:

Whereas, Chapter 46 Section 46.01 of the Grand Lodge Constitution and By-Laws extends to Amaranth Grand Chapter , OES all necessary recognition as its Adoptive Rite.

And, whereas, the Resolution of Adoption contained in the Constitution of Amaranth Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star provides that the MWPHGL of Ohio F&AM adopts Amaranth Grand Chapter OES as the Female Appendant Order of the MWPHGL of Ohio.

And as the 64<sup>th</sup> MWGM of the MWPHGL of Ohio F&AM and the Conservator of Prince Hall Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction, it is my responsibility to preserve, uphold and ensure that the usual practices, customs, laws, and usages that govern the management and administration of the affairs of the Grand Lodge and all the Adoptive, Appendant, and Concordant Bodies owing allegiance to the MWPHGL of Ohio are maintained,.

And, Whereas, in Article XII Section 1 of the Amaranth Grand Chapter Constitution the Grand Chapter acknowledges its allegiance to the MWPHGL of Ohio F&AM.



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And, Whereas Article VI Section 2 of the Amaranth Grand Chapter Constitution provides that the maximum time any elective Grand Officer may serve in one office shall be two years excluding the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary.

And, whereas the decision to retain Elective Officers elected in August 2018 in their present Offices beyond August 2020 is in direct contravention of this provision of Article VI Section 2.

Therefore, I hereby direct GWP Gregory L. Allen, as the direct representative of the Grand Master, with the assistance of the Past Grand Worthy Patrons, as needed, to advance the following Officers; all of whom have been previously elected by ballot by the members of Amaranth Grand Chapter. Grand Associate Matron Patricia A P Taylor shall advance to the Office of Grand Worthy Matron; Grand Associate Patron Carlwin L. Collins shall advance to the Office of Grand Worthy Patron; Grand Conductress Regina R. Harper shall advance to the Office of Grand Associate Matron; Grand Sentinel Dr. Richard E. Gordon, Jr. shall advance to the Office of Grand Associate Patron; Grand Associate Conductress Gloria R. Rodgers shall advance to the Office of Grand Conductress. The advancement of the line of Officers shall be accomplished with an effective date of on or before December 31, 2020. Grand Treasurer, Joanne Fitzpatrick and Grand Secretary, Sheila J. Francis shall continue in their current capacity since Article VI does not place a two year limitation on their service in office.

The Offices of Grand Associate Conductress and Grand Sentinel shall be filled Pro Tem by a Past Grand Worthy Matron and a Past Grand Worthy Patron respectively, to be appointed by the Grand Worthy Matron subsequent to her installation. Both shall serve until such time as an election can be conducted virtually or, if feasible, in person, whichever is more expedient. Said election shall conclude prior to August 2021.

With the exception of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, the term of office for each of the Officers referenced herein shall conclude in August of 2022.





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Advancing the current line of Elective Officers as Directed will preserve and maintain the decades long established practice of electing Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter Officers and recognizing the heads of both bodies in alternating years.

A Committee composed of Bro. Carlwin L. Collins, and Past Grand Worthy Patrons Springer, Friason, Moragne, and any other PGWP they deem necessary, is hereby Directed to develop the process for the election of the Offices of Grand Associate Conductress and Grand Sentinel.

Take due and timely notice of the foregoing and govern yourselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and the private seal of the Grand Master at Columbus, Ohio this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, AD 2020, AL 6020. I remain.

Respectfully & Fraternally,

***Chester C. Christie***

Chester C. Christie, PM #7 - 33°

Most Worshipful Grand Master

