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## ***The Nurturing of Strong Roots Brings Forth New Growth***

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To: Grand Worthy Matron, Jeanette Langford; Grand Worthy Patron, Ronald Smith; all Grand Chapter Officers - Present and Past; Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons; Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star, P.H.A., Inc. State of Ohio; All Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Past Masters, Officers and Brethren of the Subordinate Lodges of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons

Greetings:

Effective February 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018, there will be a period of open enrollment to afford women who are not related to Master Masons an opportunity to join the Order of Eastern Star as outlined in the Constitution of Amaranth Grand Chapter (Article V, Section 1): Open enrollment by a special edit from the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Master, State of Ohio, and former members of Girls Assembly in good standing, those who have been legally adopted of affiliated Master Masons in good standing or who were affiliated and in good standing at the time of their respective deaths.

This is an opportunity to invite women who have a desire to join the Order of Eastern Star to request a petition. There are many women who desire to share in the sisterhood, to build relationships that will contribute to the stability and growth of the order and who possess characteristics conducive to a harmonious organization and fellowship.

It will be the responsibility of each sister or brother to ensure that they have knowledge of and are familiar with those they invite to become members. We should only put our signature on petitions that we are willing to vouch that the potential member shares our values and our commitments to the principles of our Order. Each of us must hold ourselves accountable for the members we help to bring into our Chapter.

This is a great opportunity for Chapters that have a scarce or non-existent masonic bloodline to increase their membership and our hope is that we will use this time to recruit the best members possible.

It is our Prayer that the 2018 Open Enrollment Period will be a blessing to your Chapter and that Order of the Eastern Star will gain new members with all the love and zeal that our Order deserves.

This letter is to be read in the stated meetings in the. month of February, March, April and May 2018.

Respectfully & Fraternaly,

*Kelvin J. Davis*

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