

The Most Worshipful

## Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio

...Free and Accepted Masons

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"Masonically United, Serving, Inspiring and Cementing"

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## **Proclamation MDP 2025 - 1**

To: Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Past Masters, MW Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren of all Subordinate Lodges of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons.

## Greetings,

In keeping with the established custom of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio to assemble on the weekend nearest the 12th of September to pay Honor to our Founder, Prince Hall, know ye that I Maurio D. Powell I, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio Free and Accepted Masons, Do hereby proclaim that Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 shall be designated as Prince Hall Americanism Weekend.

This momentous occasion is to be celebrated and coordinated within the local districts. Lodges are permitted to have their Prince Hall Americanism programs on Saturday or Sunday as detailed above.

It is further ordered that proper notice be given to all Grand Lodge and Chapter Officers, all Eastern Star Chapters, and all heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies in your area. Each subordinate Lodge is further directed to contribute no less than \$25.00 to the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund. All Grand and Local Concordant and Appendant Bodies owing allegiance to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio F&AM, have the option to contribute as well.

Proper notice is to be given to all Grand Lodge Officers and Grand Chapter Officers of the Eastern Star Chapters, Order of Pythagorans, Girls Assembly Chapters and all other Adoptive and Concordant bodies owing allegiance to The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio.

## **Proclamation MDP 2025 - 2**

Expounding upon our Masonic tenets, know ye that I Maurio D. Powell I, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio Free and Accepted Masons, do hereby proclaim the first week of July, October, January, and April as Community Weeks during this administration.

The theme of this administration is *Masonically United Serving, Inspiring and Cementing*, and to that end, we should not shy away from the harmonious sounds we make when positively demonstrating the tenets of our profession.

Community Week will be defined as a week where we're making concerted efforts to showcase the positive things we're doing in the community. This could include, but is not limited to, Adopt the School Programs, Feed the Community Programs, Veteran Programs, Non-Partisan Voters Awareness activities, etc.

During these weeks, I am requesting members to share pictures of events in their area from the past quarter on their District's social media platform(s). Items should also be shared on the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio's page. In addition to social media and as with other celebratory events, photos and articles should be shared with the Lamp Staff to be included in future Lamp Editions.

Community week is not meant to reserve or prevent other events from taking place within this jurisdiction. Local events can still take place upon proper receipt of a dispensation. Let's show the work that we're doing in the community... Let's Make MUSIC!!

This communication is to be read at all Stated and Work Night Meetings in September and October. Take due and timely notice of the preceding and govern yourselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and the private seal of the Grand Master at Cleveland, Ohio this 28th day of August, AD 2025, AL 6025. I remain.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Maurio D. Dovell T

Bro. Maurio D. Powell I, PM #52 Most Worshipful Grand Master MWPHGL of Ohio F&AM

