



MOST ILLUSTRIOUS PRINCE HALL GRAND COUNCIL OF  
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF TEXAS  
AND JURISDICTION



**PROCLAMATION**

To: All Elected and Appointed Grand Council Officers, Honorary Past Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters, Past Thrice Illustrious Masters, Honorary Past Thrice Illustrious Masters, Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, and Illustrious Companions.

From: M. I. Charles E. Lilley, Grand Thrice Illustrious Master

Date: August 5, 2023

Subject: 6th Annual Grand Assembly

By the authority vested in the office of the Most Illustrious Grand Thrice Illustrious Master and in accordance with the Constitution of the Most Illustrious Prince Hall Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Texas, **I, Charles E. Lilley, hereby call the Most Illustrious Prince Hall Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Texas** to convene in its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Assembly a long with the **Margaret A. McDow Grand Court Ladies of the Circle of Perfection, Texas Jurisdiction, PHA** into their 6<sup>th</sup> Grand Assembly in Houston, Texas on **February 1<sup>st</sup> through February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024** at the Houston City Place Marriot at Springwoods Village, 1200 Lake Plaza Drive, Spring Texas 77389.

All Grand Council Officers, Thrice Illustrious Masters/Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters and Principal Conductors of the Work of each Constituent Council must Register for the Grand Assembly whether they will be in attendance or not or the Council will be deemed not square. The York Rite Weekend advance registration fee is \$125 and \$200 for on-site registration.

Illustrious Companions are required to dress as Royal and Select Masters for the Grand Assembly: Purple Suit Jackets, White Pants, White Shirts, “solid” Purple Bow Ties, Purple Socks, White Shoes, “authorized” Royal and Select Master Crowns, Collars, Aprons and Gloves. Acceptable alternate dress will consist of Black Suits, White Shirts, “solid” Purple Bow Ties, Purple Socks, Black Shoes, “authorized” Royal and Select Master Crowns, Collars, Aprons and Gloves.

On Wednesday, January 31, 2024, The Executive Council meeting will begin at 7:00 pm All Grand Council Officers must be present.

On Thursday February 1, 2024 the Past Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree will be given. The Council of Thrice Illustrious Master will open promptly at 6:00 a.m. Those who are to receive the degree must be present to and admitted into the Order of the Silver Trowel. I am requesting that all sitting Thrice Illustrious Masters, Past Thrice Illustrious Masters and Honorary Past Thrice Illustrious Masters be in attendance for the Degree work. The attire will be Royal and Select Master Dress with Authorized Crowns, Collars, Gloves and Purple Robes if you have them.

The Joint Memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2024 from 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.

Perfection Council #9 will open an Occasional Council on Thursday February 1, 2024 promptly at 9:00 a.m. and the Grand Council will convene for its 6<sup>th</sup> Grand Assembly

The York Rite Banquet will be held on Saturday February 3, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. the Dress is semi-formal. Grand Council officer and Subordinate Council officers, Dress will be Black Slacks, White Shirt, Purple Bow tie, Purple Suit Jacket, Purple Socks, Black shoes, and Collars.

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual R. Lucille Samuels “Oldie but Goodie” Dickey Dance will take place after the York Rite Banquet.

This proclamation is to be read in each Council meeting, until the convening of the 6th Annual Grand Assembly.

Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly.

By Virtue of the Sword and Trowel,



Charles E. Lilley  
M.I. Grand Thrice Illustrious Master



Ronald D. Gerac  
R.I. Grand Secretary



