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Proclamation

To: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters, Honorary Past Grand Masters, Past Masters, Honorary Past Masters, Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Subordinate Lodge Officers and Master Masons.

From: Most Worshipful, Wilbert M. Curtis, Grand Master

Date: March 1, 2018

Subject: 143rd Annual Grand Communication

By the authority vested in the office of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and in accordance with the constitution of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Texas, I, Wilbert M. Curtis, am hereby calling the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Texas and its Jurisdiction into its 143rd Annual Grand Communication for official business beginning, June 21, 2018, and ending June 24, 2018, at the Dallas/Addison Marriott Quorum by the Galleria. The headquarters hotel is located at 14901 Dallas Pkwy, Dallas, TX 75254. All events will be held at the hotel.

On Thursday, June 21, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. an Occasional Lodge will be opened by the District 11, the District of The Year, 2017. All Master Masons are here by summoned to attend. The three level certification training completion ribbon and medallions will be presented as part of the workshops. Additional training and lectures will be provided for all Master Masons in attendance.

The Past Master Degree will be given on Thursday, June 21, 2018. The ceremony will promptly start at 2:00 p.m. All Master Masons receiving the degree must meet with the Grand Lecturer at 1:30 p.m. and be Masonically dressed. Master Masons receiving the degree must register with the Grand Lodge Office, prior to June 1, 2018.

All District Deputy Grand Masters and Special District Deputy Grand Masters are hereby summoned to attend the District Deputy Meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018, time TBD. District Deputy reports will be given at this time.

On Thursday evening starting at 7:00 p.m. the 143rd Grand Communication will host a Joint Queen Contest by the OES and HOJ. The festival will feature the Prince Hall Masonic Family Sisters at their finest. The attire is coat and tie.

On Friday, June 22, 2018, the 143rd Annual Grand Communication will officially convene at 9:00 a.m. Masonic dress is required. There will be an awards luncheon at 12:00 noon Friday.

The Saint John's Day and Memorial Service will be held on Friday, at 7:00 p.m. A Lodge of Sorrow ceremony will be performed. Masonic Dress with white aprons is the appropriate attire. The High Twelve Club will sponsor a dance following the Memorial Service.

On Saturday, the Scholarship Luncheon will be held beginning at 12:00 noon. All Scholarship winners will be announced.

On Saturday afternoon after the close of the Grand Session, promptly at 3:30 p.m. all Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers are required to attend the Annual Joint Installation Ceremony. All Master Masons and guests are encouraged to attend.

On Saturday evening, the Annual Prince Hall Masonic Family Banquet will be held at 7:00 p.m. The attire is white dinner jacket and shirt, black slacks and tie. The Masonic collar is optional.

On Sunday, June 24, 2018, closeout meeting, SINE DIE, have safe travels home.

Worshipful Masters, have this Proclamation read in three stated lodge meetings prior to the Grand Communication.

Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly.

Wilbert M. Curtis

Most Worshipful Wilbert M. Curtis
Grand Master

Attested by:

Tracey "T. C." Bittle

Right Worshipful Tracey "T. C." Bittle
Grand Secretary

