

GRAND LODGE FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEVADA



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BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE  
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEVADA

Greetings:

Listed below are the three carry over resolutions submitted for consideration by the 146th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Nevada on November 7, 8, and 9, 2010.

**Carryover Resolution 2-2009**

Whereas, the position of Organist is not accurate in our current environment since few lodges have an Organ (either Pipe or Electrical) and even fewer can play and operate the pedals and controls effectively,

Whereas, most musical selections are now performed on state-of- the- art keyboards, and future technology may alter the requirements of our musical representatives,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the term Organist be revised to read Musician and the following sections of the Masonic Code of Nevada be amended to reflect this terminology:

Sec. 2.050 Code (pg 2-2) Composition of Grand Lodge  
1 (q) Grand Organist-change to Grand Musician  
No further changes

Sec. 2.075 Code (pg 2-4) Station of Grand Lodge Officers  
Grand Organist: --- change to Grand Musician at instruments or Musicians place

Index (pg P-32) Grand Organist change to Grand Musician

Sec. 3.380 (pg2-14) Grand Organist: Duties --- change to Grand Musician: Duties

The Grand Organist-change to The Grand Musician shall preside at the place at the opening and closing of the Grand Lodge, and when required, conduct its music upon all occasions of ceremony.

Respectfully submitted:  
Carl L. "Bud" Banks, PM (18-55)

### **Carryover Resolution 3-2009**

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada:

Whereas, the Masonic Code of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada, Article 6, Section 6.160, forbids membership in any order or society not sanctioned, endorsed, or recognized by this Grand Lodge where the requirement for admission into such order or society as being a Master Mason, and

Whereas, the same Masonic Code, Article 9, Section 9.020 listing the orders or societies sanctioned, endorsed, or recognized by this Grand Lodge does not include the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (AAONMS), also known as the Shrine of North America and Shriners International, hereafter referenced as the Shrine, and

Whereas, it is not, nor has it been, intended or implied by this Grand Lodge that the Shrine is a clandestine order or society, and

Whereas, at the 2000 Imperial Shrine Session the requirement that a petitioner for Shrine membership must be a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree mason was repealed in favor of the requirement for the petitioner for Shrine membership must be a Master Mason in good standing, and

Whereas, all Master Masons in this jurisdiction who have joined, or intend to join, the Shrine since said Imperial Shrine Session are, or will be, therefore guilty of committing a Masonic Offense,

It is resolved that the Shrine should be an endorsed and recognized order by this Grand Lodge and that the Masonic Code, Article 9, Section 9.020, should be amended as follows:

Subsection 5 titled "Concordant Bodies, recognized," should be renumbered to become subsection 6;

A new subsection 5 should be inserted to read:

5. Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, a.k.a., the Shrine of North America, a.k.a., Shriners International

Fraternally submitted,  
Franklin E. Merica, Jr., P.M. (46/54)  
Deputy Grand Lecturer for District 9

**Carryover Resolution 6-2009**

WHEREAS, Section 4.050 Consolidation of Lodges provides that there must be a unanimous vote of approval of voting members of each lodge seeking consolidation.

WHEREAS, the requirement of a unanimous approval results in a consolidation being defeated by even one dissenting vote in either of the consolidating lodges.

WHEREAS, the result of this provision which allows the defeat of consolidation by only one voting member is an unfair and prohibitive burden on lodge members who have determined that consolidation is a constructive move.

WHEREAS, in some instances the alternative for a lodge seeking consolidation may be to surrender its charter.

WHEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED: That Section 4.050(b) be amended to read:

From (current provision):

" (b) The vote upon such proposed consolidation is taken by secret ballot and is unanimous. "


To (proposed provision):

" (b) The vote upon such proposed consolidation is taken by secret ballot and is approved by a ninety percent majority vote."

Respectfully submitted:  
David K. Baba P.M. (40)  
Ralph H. Emerson II P.M. (40)

Your careful consideration of these resolutions is a benefit to Nevada Masonry.  
Looking forward to greeting you at the 146th Annual Communication.

Fraternally,

  
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Grand Secretary



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