



Prince Hall Grand Council Royal and Select Masters

For the Jurisdiction of North Carolina, Incorporated

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PHGCRSMNC Memorandum 20260923-001

SUBJECT: Proclamation for the 31st Grand Assembly

**THIS PROCLAMATION IS TO BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY IN ALL
CONSTITUENT COUNCILS AT YOUR NEXT SCHEDULED
ASSEMBLY.**

To: PTIM D. Antione Lilly, Sr, Grand Illustrious Deputy Master, PTIM Richard R. Peeler, KYGCH, Grand Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Works, PTIM William "BJ" Levette, Grand Illustrious Recorder, PTIM Randolph Dickinson, KYGCH, Grand Illustrious Treasurer, all other Elected and Appointed Grand Council Officers. Past Right Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters, Past Grand Thrice Masters, Past Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Works, and Illustrious Companions owing Allegiance to the Prince Hall Grand Council Royal and Select Master, Jurisdiction of North Carolina Inc.

Greetings in the name of the Him Who Doeth All Things Well, Jesus the Christ! By the powers and authority vested in me by the Constitution and By-Laws of The Prince Hall Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters for the Jurisdiction of North Carolina, Incorporated; I, Leonard "Jay" Jones, KYGCH, 33°, the 17th Right Grand Thrice Illustrious Master, do hereby announce the convening of the 31th Annual Grand Assembly and call upon all Illustrious Companions owing allegiance to The Prince Hall Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters for the Jurisdiction of North Carolina, Incorporated to join me on Friday, February 5th, 2026 at 9:00am at the Hilton Durham Hotel located at 3800 Hillsborough Road, Durham, NC 27705.

Grand Council / York Rite Convention Registration

Advanced Registration is \$250.00 for all three sessions, \$210.00 for any two sessions, and \$170.00 for one session. Advance registration includes luncheon tickets (each day registered), and Friday night's banquet ticket. There will be NO onsite registration, you must pre-register by the deadline of 15 January 2027



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Payment Method's for Grand Conclave

We have one payment option for this year's York Rite Grand Session:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/2027-nc-york-rite-convention-2>

The Eugene Stitt Past Thrice Illustrious Master Council

The Silver Trowel Degree will convene on Friday Morning, February 5th, 7:00 AM. All newly elected Thrice Illustrious Masters must be present to receive the degree.

NOTE: ANY THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER-ELECT WHO IS NOT REGISTERED FOR THE GRAND ASSEMBLY OR HAVE NOT PAID THE REQUIRED FEE AND/OR COUNCIL IS UNFINANCIAL WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO RECEIVE THE DEGREE! All Thrice Illustrious Masters-Elect must receive this degree before being installed.

Hotel Reservations

For single or double occupancy, room rates are \$134.00 per night plus tax. Please reserve your room on or before 15 January 2027. The number for Hilton Durham is (919)564-2909. Deadline date for rooms is concrete.

•Group Name: York Rite Convention Mason 2027

•Group/SRP Code: YORK27

•DIRECT BOOKING: The reservation link created for your group will take guests directly to the booking page with the group rate and contracted dates automatically applied. Guests can also book reservations by calling 1-800-HILTONS. By referencing the group code, YORK27, they will receive the group rate for the contracted dates. The cutoff date for your reservations is January 15th, 2027.

Souvenir Journal

All Grand Council Officers and Constituent Councils are asked to purchase an ad for the Souvenir Journal. Full-Page ads are \$40.00 (picture included). Souvenir Journal ads/advertisements are due by 15 January 2027. The souvenir journal will be a colored virtual book consisting of Full-Page ads only. Please see attached form and following link to submit your ads. Please send ads in the following formats only word, .pdf or .png. ALL Ads MUST Be Formatted and Ready to be inserted into the template or fee will apply for committee to complete as, you will be contacted for fee submission prior to ad being created.

Email Print Ready Ads to: ncyorkriteads@gmail.com



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Opening Ceremonies

King Solomon No. 15, located in Greensboro, NC, will officially open an occasional Commandery on Friday, February 5th, 2027, at 9:00am. Admission will require all Companions to present their Registration Badges.

Grand Assembly Dress

The dress for the 31st Annual Grand Assembly is as follows:

- Grand Council Officers: Purple Blazers/Black Pants, White Shirt, Purple Tie (Bow or Straight), Crowns, Collars, Aprons, White Gloves
 - PTIM: Purple Blazers/Black Pants or Black Suit, White Shirt, Purple Tie (Straight or Bow), Crowns, Collars, Aprons, White Gloves
 - Illustrious Companions: Black Suit, White Shirt, Purple Tie (Straight or Bow), Crowns, Collars (if authorized), Aprons, White Gloves
- Grand Assembly Committee Reports

All Grand Assembly reports must be electronically submitted via the email address listed below to Grand Illustrious Recorder's Office by January 15, 2027, to be included in the Grand Assembly Report Booklet for the 31st Annual Grand Assembly. The Grand Illustrious Recorder's email address is: phgrsmncinc@gmail.com

District Deputy Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters Reports

DDGTIM reports should be emailed to the Grand Illustrious Deputy Master NLT 15 January 2027. These reports should detail your work and the work of the councils in your respective districts for this calendar year. They can be emailed to: phgrsmncinc@gmail.com

Annual Constituent Council Reports

To ensure efficiency during the Grand Assembly, all election results, Annual Reports, and fees are due to your District Deputy Grand Thrice Illustrious Master by 10 January 2025, which is then due to the Grand Illustrious Recorder by 15 January 2027. NOTE: You must send three (3) separate checks for Grand Council Taxes, Past Thrice Illustrious Master Report, and King's Contest/Scholarship Donations.



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District Deputy Grand Thrice Illustrious Master's mail your constituent chapters' annual reports to the Grand Illustrious Recorder:

PHGCRSMNC Inc.
c/o PTIM Willam "B.J." Levette, II
P.O. Box COMING SOON

Thank you for all your unwavering support of the Prince Hall Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters for the Jurisdiction of North Carolina, Inc. this past Cryptic Year! We are looking forward to another harmonious and successful

Grand Assembly! May he that doeth all things well continue to Bless and Keep each of you!

Given under my hand and attested under the seal of this Prince Hall Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters for the Jurisdiction of North Carolina, Inc. on the 25th Day of September in the Year of our Lord 2024.

Yours in Humble Service,

Leonard "Jay" Jones

PTIM Leonard "Jay" Jones, KGC, KYCH, 33°
18th Right Grand Thrice Illustrious Master

ATTESTED BY:
PTIM William "BJ" Levette II
Grand Illustrious Recorder

