

RULES AND REGULATIONS
of the
SCOTTISH RITE BODIES
of the
VALLEY OF HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

Harrisburg Lodge of Perfection, 14°
Harrisburg Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°
Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°
Harrisburg Consistory, S.P.R.S, 32°

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VALLEY OF HARRISBURG, DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
of the
ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

ARTICLE I - PREAMBLE

Section 1. The following shall constitute the Rules and Regulations of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Harrisburg, and each of the four Coordinate Bodies, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. Namely:

Harrisburg Lodge of Perfection, 14°
Harrisburg Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°
Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°
Harrisburg Consistory, S.P.R.S, 32°

Section 2. These Rules and Regulations supersede all former Rules and Regulations and By-Laws of the Bodies, and such former Rules and Regulations and By-Laws are hereby repealed and annulled.

ARTICLE II - ALLEGIANCE

Section 1. The Bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the Valley of Harrisburg, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, receive authority from Charters granted by the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, and each of them hereby acknowledges and yields allegiance to and shall be governed at all times by the Constitutions of the Supreme Council above mentioned, as they now exist or may hereafter be amended or repealed; and the laws, rules, orders, and regulations of the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, so far as they are applicable.

Section 2. Any amendment, modification or repeal of the Constitutions and Regulations, rules, laws, and rituals of the Supreme Council and the Rules and Regulations of the Council of Deliberation shall, upon adoption by said Supreme Council and/or Council of Deliberation, be considered as adopted and incorporated in these Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE III - FISCAL AGENT

Section 1. Harrisburg Consistory 32°, shall be the “Fiscal Agent” and/or “Fiscal Body” of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Harrisburg, and the business and financial affairs of said Valley shall be conducted in and by said Harrisburg Consistory, which shall be charged with the custody, management, and control of all funds (not including funds in the control of the Trustees, or as otherwise specified in these Rules and Regulations) belonging to any and all of the four coordinate bodies as their interests may appear.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

Section 1. The stated meetings of the four bodies of the Valley of Harrisburg shall be held consecutively, beginning at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the second Friday of the month except for January, June, July, and August. The presiding officer of each body shall open the meeting of his body, along with the officers of that body.

Section 2. Special or extra meetings of any body may be called at the pleasure of the Commander-In-Chief or the Presiding Officer of that Body, provided however, the members shall have due and timely notice of the purpose and time of such meeting, and that no business shall be transacted except the business for which such meeting is specially called.

Section 3. A joint meeting may be called in lieu of the stated meeting with the concurrence of the presiding officers of Harrisburg Lodge of Perfection, 14°, Harrisburg Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°, Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Harrisburg Consistory, 32°. Such meetings shall be presided over by the Commander-in-Chief, the presiding officer of the Consistory, the Fiscal Body of the Valley of Harrisburg.

Section 4. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting. The following officers must be present to open the respective body:

Lodge of Perfection: The Thrice Potent Master, or his Deputy, or either of the Wardens.

Council Princes of Jerusalem: The Sovereign Prince, or High Priest, or either of the Wardens.

Chapter Rose Croix: The Most Wise Master, or either the Senior or Junior Warden.

Consistory: The Commander-In-Chief or one of the Lieutenant Commanders.

ARTICLE V - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The minimum number of officers of each body, as mandated by Supreme Council, as well as the Treasurer and Secretary and Trustees shall be elected by the membership at the Annual Meeting. All other officers shall be appointed by the presiding officer of the body. Elections in the Consistory shall take place triennially, and in the other bodies annually; The "Annual Meeting" at which such elections shall be held will be the stated meeting immediately preceding May 31st. At the February stated meeting preceding the annual election, the Presiding Officer of the Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Consistory shall each appoint a Nominating Committee for the next annual election. The Nominating Committees shall present their slates at the Annual Meeting when the elections shall take place.

Section 2. The officers of the Consistory shall hold office for three years succeeding their election; the officers of the other bodies shall hold office for one year succeeding their election.

Section 3.

- a. The Officer Line for the Harrisburg Consistory in the Valley of Harrisburg shall consist of five elected Officers: Commander-In-Chief, First Lieutenant Commander, Second Lieutenant Commander, Treasurer and Secretary, along with non-sequential appointed Officers to serve at the pleasure of the Commander-In-Chief: Orator, Chancellor, Master of Ceremonies, Hospitaler, Engineer & Seneschal, Color Bearer, Standard Bearer, Captain of the Guard, and Sentinel.
- b. No one shall serve as a Commander for the Harrisburg Consistory in the Valley of Harrisburg who is not a past presiding officer of a Subordinate Body of the Valley of Harrisburg or of a Valley within Pennsylvania, except by waiver of the Executive Committee. Further, before taking office, any such member must become a full member of the Harrisburg Consistory.

Section 4. All elected officers, when duly installed, shall continue in office until the installation of their successors, and all appointed officers shall hold office at the pleasure of the presiding officer.

Section 5. No member of these bodies shall be deemed eligible for any office, nor hold any office, nor shall he be entitled to vote in any election thereof, unless his current dues and fees have been paid in full, including any dues and fees in arrears.

Section 6. No member shall be eligible for election as a presiding officer who has not previously served in one of the three highest offices of that body, provided, however, that this requirement may be waived by the Sovereign Grand Commander upon recommendation of the Deputy for the State.

Section 7. If a vacancy in any of the elective offices shall occur by death, or otherwise, at any time previous to the regular election, a special election to fill such vacancy shall take place at the next stated meeting, upon due notice to the members by the Secretary, except that when there is a vacancy in the elected line in each respective body, the officer next in rank shall succeed to and be vested with the title and all the powers and prerogatives of such officer until the next regular election unless the Deputy for the state directs that the vacancy be filled at a special election for the unexpired term.

Section 8. To facilitate the transaction of business and the maintenance of records for each of the bodies and for the Coordinate Bodies as a whole, the Treasurer and the Secretary, respectively, shall be the same for all four bodies. Each of these offices must be filled by a member who has been elected to his respective office in the Consistory.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. All officers of all bodies shall perform the duties and have the powers as provided by the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite or by the Council of Deliberation.

PRESIDING OFFICERS

Section 2. The presiding officers of each of these bodies shall preside over and govern the same in accordance with ancient custom; see that the Constitution of the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, the laws, rules, orders and regulations of the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, and these Rules and Regulations are duly observed and enforced, so far as they are applicable. It shall be their responsibility to discharge all duties prescribed for them by the Constitution and rituals of the Supreme Council and usages and customs of the Rite.

Section 3. The Commander-In-Chief shall be the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Commander-In-Chief shall appoint all committees, and be ex officio, a member of the same. He shall also appoint competent members of this Consistory to serve as Administrative Degree Personnel, Director of Choir, Director of Orchestra, Director of Stewards, a qualified Auditor, a Budget Committee of at least five (5) members, and such other appointments as deemed essential to the best interests of Harrisburg Consistory and Co-ordinate Bodies. They may receive respectively such remuneration as may be recommended by the Commander-in-Chief, concurred in by the presiding officers of the Co-ordinate Bodies, and the payment thereof approved by this Consistory as may be provided for in these Rules and Regulations.

TREASURER

Section 5. The Treasurer shall be custodian of the monies of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Harrisburg, except monies in the hands of the Trustees, Hospitaler, and the current monies in the hands of the Secretary, together with such books and papers as pertain to his office. He shall keep an accurate account of all his receipts; receive all monies collected by the Secretary and give his receipt; therefore, and deposit all monies in a bank or depository as designated by the Executive Committee and/or the Trustees.

Section 6. In lieu of, or in addition to, using written checks for the payment of bills and similar transactions, the Treasurer and Secretary may employ a system of electronic transfers, commonly known as on-line banking, to affect such transactions, provided that every transaction made in such fashion must have been authorized prior to their execution by the same number of signatories as required by written transactions.

Section 7. The Treasurer, together with the Commander-In-Chief, and the Secretary, shall approve, by written or electronic signature, all transactions initiated by the Secretary for the payment of lawful bills. If the Commander-In-Chief, The Treasurer, or the Secretary are temporarily unable or unavailable to perform this duty, the signature of the First Lieutenant Commander or the Second Lieutenant Commander will be sufficient to satisfy this requirement. A report of all such payments shall be submitted by the Secretary at the next stated meeting for the approval of all payments made by this Consistory.

Section 8. He shall render to the Fiscal Agent / Consistory at the annual meeting, and oftener if required by the Fiscal Agent, an accurate and detailed report of all receipts and expenditures for the year. He shall prepare any other financial reports as requested by the Fiscal Agent or the Executive Committee. In addition to his monthly and annual reports, whenever required by this Consistory, the Commander-in-Chief, the Trustees, or the Executive Committee, he shall furnish a detailed statement of the finances of this Consistory, and shall submit the same together with his books, records, vouchers, etc., for examination and audit.

Section 9. At the expiration or sooner termination of his term of office, the Treasurer shall, within ten days, deliver to his successor in office all books, papers, monies, and other properties of the bodies in his possession.

Section 10. In the event of temporary illness, absence, or incapacity of the Treasurer, and the inability of said Treasurer to perform his normal duties, the Commander-In-Chief with the concurrence of the presiding officers of the Coordinate Bodies, shall designate and appoint an acting Treasurer with full powers of the office until the next annual election can be held or recovery from such illness, absence, or incapacity.

Section 11. The Treasurer shall maintain a surety bond in accordance with Section 18.

SECRETARY

Section 12. The Secretary shall keep full and correct minutes of the proceedings of the several bodies and shall issue notices to the members for each stated, extra, or special meeting, said notices to be issued at least ten days prior to the meeting.

Section 13. The Secretary shall, prior to July 1, notify each member of the amount of his dues to the first day of August of the succeeding year and will collect the dues per Supreme Council Regulations.

Section 14. The Secretary shall keep an accurate account of all dues, fees, and other monies received on account of the Coordinate Bodies and each of its members and shall receive all monies which may be paid to the Fiscal Body or to any of the other Coordinate Bodies, and pay the same over to the Treasurer

forthwith, taking his receipt therefore. He shall make regular returns as required by the Constitutions of the Supreme Council and the Rules and Regulations of the Council of Deliberation and shall perform all other such duties incumbent upon his office in accordance with the usages and customs of the Rite.

Section 15. He shall have charge of the archives, correspondence, seals, and documents of the four Coordinate Bodies, and shall receive compensation as determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 16. The Secretary of the Fiscal Body shall serve as Recording Secretary of the Trustees.

Section 17. The Secretary may recommend to the Executive Committee one or more competent individuals, to be appointed Assistant/Assistants to the Secretary. They shall perform such duties as assigned by the Secretary. The Secretary may employ or appoint other competent personnel to perform such duties as he may assign to them in the administration of his office. All employees in the Secretary's office shall be compensated as determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 18. In the event of temporary illness, absence or incapacity of the Secretary, or the inability of said Secretary to perform his normal duties, the Commander-in-Chief, with the concurrence of the presiding officers of the Coordinate Bodies, shall designate and appoint an Acting Secretary with full powers of the office until the next annual election can be held or recovery from such illness, absence, or incapacity.

Section 19. The Secretary and, all full-time office personnel, shall maintain a surety bond, in such sum as is determined by the Executive Committee, but not less than twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars, in favor of the Fiscal Agent, conditioned on the faithful performance of their duties, and the premium of such bond shall be paid by the Fiscal Agent. The surety bond may be a blanket bond.

HOSPITALER

Section 20. The Hospitaller of the four Coordinate Bodies shall receive and disburse all monies given, collected, or appropriated to him for charitable and fraternal assistance as is traditionally appropriate under the supervision of the presiding officers.

Section 21. The Hospitaller, or the secretary as his agent, shall act as custodian of the Hospitaller Fund and shall deposit his collections or receipts in any approved bank or trust company with deposits to be made in the Name of "Hospitaller's Fund, Valley of Harrisburg." He may deposit excess funds in insured interest-bearing accounts. Such funds may be withdrawn only upon signatures of the Hospitaller and either the Secretary or the Commander-In-Chief. He may empower the Trustees to invest said monies for and on behalf of the Hospitaller's Fund.

Section 22. The Hospitaller shall make a financial report annually to the Commander-In-Chief and the Secretary and these reports shall be considered as confidential.

Section 23. The Hospitaller shall maintain a surety bond in accordance with Section 19.

TILER

Section 24. It shall be the duty of the Tiler and the Assistant Tiler to attend all meetings of said bodies and to tile the same, and to render at all time such assistance to the officers as may be required.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND, AND TRUSTEES OF THE HERITAGE BUILDERS FUND

Section 25. Seven (7) members of the Harrisburg Consistory shall constitute the general Board of Trustees, as well as the Trustees of the Permanent Fund, and the Trustees of the Heritage Builders Fund. At each Annual Meeting two (2) Trustees shall be elected to serve for three (3) years, except that every third year, beginning with the Annual Meeting immediately succeeding the adoption of these rules and regulations, three (3) Trustees shall be elected. Any Body of the Rite, Board of Trustees or similar agency designated as the fiscal agent of all of the Subordinate Bodies in a Valley shall be deemed to be serving as Trustee for all such Bodies, whether or not so designated, and shall hold title and control of any property, real and personal, committed to its care in trust for such Bodies as their respective interests shall appear. The presiding officer of each Subordinate Body in the Valley shall be a member of any such Board of Trustees or similar agency which is designated as the fiscal agent of all of the Subordinate Bodies in a Valley. Any such fiscal agent serving as Trustee shall report its transactions in full detail to the authorizing Body or Bodies at least once each year.

Section 26. No member shall be eligible for election or re-election as a Trustee who has served for two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms as a Trustee unless one (1) year has elapsed since the end of his last term. A partial term shall not be considered in determining consecutive terms.

Section 27. The Board of Trustees shall meet at least quarterly, during the months of January, April., July, and October. Additional meetings of the Board of Trustees may be held pursuant to the call of the Chairman.

Section 28. Annually at the July meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Trustees shall organize by electing a President, a Treasurer, and a Secretary to serve for the ensuing consistorial fiscal year beginning August 1st next. The duly elected Secretary of Harrisburg Consistory and Coordinate Bodies shall be the Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Section 29. Upon the death, resignation, or removal from office due to temporary illness, absence, or incapacity of a Trustee to perform his duties, the Executive Committee shall designate and appoint an acting Trustee with full power of a Trustee until the next Annual Meeting can be held. Such election shall be based on the recommendation of a Nominating Committee, appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Section 30. The Board of Trustees shall report quarterly to the Executive Committee on the activities of the Trustees.

Section 31. The Trustees shall have charge of, hold and manage the Permanent Fund, Heritage Builders Fund, and such other funds as the Coordinate Bodies, by vote, may direct to be placed in their hands; and shall administer said funds in accordance with provisions hereinafter contained creating such funds. All investments are to be made in the name of the "Trustees of the Harrisburg Consistory S.P.R.S., Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry."

Section 32. The Trustees shall be the custodians of the real estate, securities, investments, and all other property of this Consistory. They shall exchange, transfer, sell and deliver all corporate stocks or bonds, including Bonds of the United States Government, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and political subdivisions thereof, and other securities now held by, or which may hereafter be acquired by Harrisburg Consistory, as in their judgment may be most advantageous to this Consistory.

Section 33. The President, Treasurer, and/or Secretary of the Trustees shall be the duly authorized officers to assign, sell and deliver all securities and real estate herein enumerated.

Section 34. They shall keep all real estate, furniture, fixtures, and paraphernalia and other property of Harrisburg Consistory continuously insured in the name of “Harrisburg Consistory S.P.R.S., 32°, A.A.S.R.”, and they are authorized to settle or adjust any and all claims for losses or damages which may occur in respect to such insurance. The President and Treasurer, and/or Secretary of the Trustees shall be the duly authorized officers to execute releases evidencing settlement of such claims in the name of the “Trustees of the Permanent Fund of Harrisburg Consistory S.P.R.S., 32°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.”

Section 35. No real estate now or hereafter acquired by the “Trustees of the Permanent Fund of Harrisburg Consistory S.P.R.S., 32°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry”, shall be sold, exchanged, or otherwise disposed of on behalf of Harrisburg Consistory except upon the following procedure:

- (a) The proposed transaction shall be approved by a majority of the Trustees present at a regular or special meeting of that Board.
- (b) A resolution shall be presented in writing at a stated meeting, with the names of the proposer and seconder, setting forth details and data with respect to the proposed transaction. It shall be read by the Secretary of the Consistory, and shall lie over without debate, until the next stated meeting. In the notices for the meeting at which the resolution is to be acted upon it shall be set forth in full, with notice to the members that same will then be considered and acted upon; and if it shall then be approved by a majority of the members present it shall be adopted.

Section 36. The Trustees may appoint and delegate to Committees the various functions which are the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. The Trustee may also engage such professionals, including accountants, financial advisors and attorneys carry out the function of the Trustees.

OTHER OFFICERS

Section 37. All other officers, either elected or appointed, shall perform such duties as appertain to their respective stations as laid down in the ritual, and such as may be assigned to them by the various bodies or the presiding officers of such bodies.

ARTICLE VII – PETITIONS

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Each petitioner for degrees and membership must be recommended by two members of the Valley of Harrisburg and the petitioner must be an affiliated Master Mason in good standing in a regular symbolic Blue Lodge. A waiver of territorial jurisdiction shall be required for a Petitioner residing outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 2. Objection may be made upon a petitioner for degrees and advancement before the conferring of any of the degrees. Such objection shall be made in writing, signed by the objector, and delivered to a presiding officer, who shall transmit it to the Secretary. A petitioner for degrees and membership having been rejected, his petition shall not again be received within three months from the date of his rejection.

Section 3. A petition shall lapse at the end of two years from the date it has been received unless the candidate shall have stated in writing his intention to proceed and the time shall be extended by the Deputy for the State.

Section 4. If a petitioner for degrees and advancement is objected to during the conferring of the degrees, further action shall be in accordance with the Constitution of the Supreme Council or the Council of Deliberation.

AFFILIATION

Section 5. Every petition for affiliation must be accompanied by a demit or properly attested certificate of withdrawal from the body or bodies to which the petitioner last belonged and shall be subject to the rules governing petitions for degrees and membership, except that no fee shall be charged.

Section 6. Dual or plural membership in the bodies of the same grade is permitted in accordance with Article 404 of the constitution of the Supreme Council and Article X Section 7(a) of the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation.

ARTICLE VIII – FEES

Section 1. The fees for conferring the degrees in the several bodies of the Rite in the Valley of Harrisburg shall be set from time to time by Resolution in the Fiscal Body in the same manner and using the same procedure as outlined in Article XV, Amendments, provided however, that the amounts specified are not lower than those that may be required by the Supreme Council and the Council of Deliberation. A copy of the current resolution enacting or changing fees in any manner shall be attached in its entirety, including the dates of initial proposal, publication to the members, and final adoption, to these Rules and Regulations, and labeled as Addendum 1.

Section 2. Each petition for degrees must be accompanied by the required fees prior to the conferring of any degrees. Members joining the Valley of Harrisburg from the Valley of Lancaster, or any other Lodge of Perfection, shall pay the same fees, less those of the Lodge of Perfection for the conferring of degrees in the Council, Chapter, and Consistory.

ARTICLE IX - DUES

DUES

Section 1. The annual dues, payable on or before the first day of August of each year, shall be set from time to time by Resolution in the Fiscal Body in the same manner and using the same procedure as outlined in Article XV, Amendments, provided however, that any amounts specified are not lower than those that may be required by the Supreme Council and the Council of Deliberation. A copy of the current resolution enacting or changing fees in any manner will be attached in its entirety, including the dates of initial proposal, publication to the members, and final adoption, to these Rules and Regulations, and labeled as Addendum 2.

Section 2. Any future increases in the Supreme Council Assessment above the current amount per member, per year and the Council of Deliberation Assessment per member, per year shall automatically be added to current dues as set forth by the current resolutions.

Section 3. Any member who is in arrears on dues of as of June 1st may be suspended from membership by a majority vote of those present and voting at the May Stated meeting, provided he shall have been notified of his arrearage and the proposed action. A copy of this section, together with the statement of his due's arrearage, delivered to the Brother in person, or mailed at least thirty days before the meeting at which action is to be taken, to the last address given by him to the Secretary, shall be sufficient notice.

ARTICLE X - RESIGNATION, SUSPENSION, AND RESTORATION TO MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any change to membership status by virtue of suspension, resignation, demit, or restoration to membership shall be governed by and performed in accordance with Section VII and other applicable sections of the Constitution of the Supreme Council.

ARTICLE XI – CERTAIN FUNDS EMNUMERATED

GENERAL FUND

Section 1. The General Fund shall consist of all monies received in the four Coordinate Bodies, except as provided in Article XI, Section 3 and 4 of these Rules and Regulations, the Oda Mae Shaw Fund, and other funds which may, from time to time, be designated for a specific purpose, and by a vote of the members of the four Coordinate Bodies present at any stated meeting thereof, shall be subject to use for general purposes in the interest of any and all of the bodies of the Valley.

PERMANENT FUND

Section 2 – All sums now held as principal of this Consistory, together with five (5%) percent of the receipts received from all dues and fees, (provided that fees for degrees and membership shall not be considered a part of the receipts until applicants have received their degrees), twenty five (25%) percent of balance in the hands of the Treasurer at the close of each fiscal year after all bills have been paid as authorized; and such other sums as may be apportioned to this Fund by this Consistory, shall constitute the “Permanent Fund of Harrisburg Consistory S.P.R.S., 32°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry”, and shall be at once placed in the hands of the Trustees of the Fund as is herein provided, and shall be invested by them in such securities as are recognized by law as legal investment for trust funds, or in such real estate as this Consistory may direct.

Section 3 – Interest from such investments, and the income from such real estate may be paid into the general fund of this Consistory, be received by the Secretary, and by him paid over to the Treasurer.

Section 4 – No portion of the principal of the Permanent Fund shall be used for current expenses of this Consistory or transferred from this Fund, except by Resolution presented in writing at an Executive Committee meeting, recommended by two members and approved by a two-third’s majority of the members present. It shall be read by the Secretary, and shall lie over without debate, until next stated meeting, in the notices for the meeting at which the resolution is to be acted upon it shall be set forth in full, with notice to the members that same will then be considered and acted upon; and if it shall then be approved by a majority of the members present, the Trustees shall pay over said amount into the general fund; be received by the Secretary and by him paid over to the Treasurer

HERITAGE BUILDERS FUND

Section 5 – This fund shall be solely for the care, maintenance, expansion, or acquisition of physical facilities now owned, leased, or hereafter acquired by the Harrisburg Consistory, A.A.S.R. Consistent with the documents establishing this fund, income only of this fund shall be used for the stated purposes herein contained and Principal shall not in any form be utilized or invaded for the purposes herein stated or otherwise.

Section 6 – Trustees, may in their sole discretion, accept or reject any and all gifts, donations, bequests, or devises from any source, whether in cash, chattel or real estate, subject only to the terms and conditions of this Article.

Section 7 – The assets comprising the corpus of this fund may be retained in kind or converted and the proceeds therefrom reinvested from time to time in the discretion of the Trustees.

Section 8 – Trustees shall not be limited or restricted in the nature of investments, providing said investments are consistent with a policy of investment established and/or reviewed by Trustees from time to time, including, but not limited to a Unitrust as defined under the Pennsylvania Uniform Trust Act.

Section 9 – The disbursement or accumulation of income shall be upon a majority vote of a duly constituted quorum of the Trustees; income not consumed shall be reinvested until time of need.

Section 10 – The Board of Trustees shall be duly authorized to appoint a bank, trust company, or other financial advisor to act in whatever capacity the Board deems advisable as Custodian of the Heritage Builders Fund.

ARTICLE XII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee of Sixteen members, consisting of the Commander-in-Chief, First Lieutenant Commander, Second Lieutenant Commander, Treasurer, Secretary, Thrice Potent Master, Sovereign Prince, Most Wise Master, the seven at-large members of the Trustees and the immediate past Commander in Chief as an Ex Officio member.

Section 2. The Commander in Chief shall be the Chairman of the Executive Committee. At his discretion, the Commander in Chief may designate another member of the committee to conduct the business at any meeting of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall meet Quarterly on the 4th Monday of the months of January, April, July, and October. The Committee may be called together by its Chairman on written request, signed by any seven members of the Committee, at such other times as may be necessary and expedient. The Commander-in-Chief has the authority to invite the second line officers, the Valley Membership Chairman and/or others he deems necessary, to attend the Executive Committee Meetings.

Section 4. The Secretary of the Fiscal Body shall be the Secretary of the Executive Committee and shall, under direction of the Chairman, issue all notices for meetings thereof, keep a faithful record of the proceedings and perform such other duties as directed.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to coordinate the activities of the four bodies; to recommend to the Commander In Chief such committees as may be necessary and deemed advisable; to establish rules for the conduct of the business; to approve the annual budget before submitting it to the membership for approval, to be charged with the formulation and furthering of the policies of the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Harrisburg and have such duties and powers usually delegated to such committee

Section 6. Unless otherwise stated, all acts of the Executive Committee shall have the affirmative vote of the majority of those present in a duly called meeting, and seven (7) members of said committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

Section 7. Notice of all meetings of the Executive Committee shall be sent to each member of the Committee. If any member of the bodies is also an elected Active Member of the Supreme Council he shall also be invited, in writing, to each meeting of the Executive Committee and Emeriti Members of the Supreme Council may be invited.

ARTICLE XIII - BUDGET COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Commander-in-Chief shall appoint, after consultation with the presiding officers of the Coordinate Bodies, the Treasurer, and the Secretary, a committee of five qualified members to be known as the Budget Committee; one member of the committee to be designated as chairman by the Commander-in-Chief. They shall prepare a Budget for the next fiscal year, as well as render, in cooperation with the Secretary, monthly or quarterly reports to officers of the Fiscal Body and the Executive Committee of Harrisburg Consistory.

Section 2. The Budget Committee shall consult the Trustees and the presiding officers of each of the Coordinate Bodies relative to planned activities involving both income and expenses. The Budget Committee shall prepare the Budget for the next Fiscal Year in time to be submitted to the Executive Committee for their consideration at the July Meeting, and shall present the approved budget to the Harrisburg Consistory for adoption at the stated meeting in September of each year.

ARTICLE XIV – INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Section 1. Consistent with Article VI, Section 33 of these Rules and Regulations, The Board of Trustees shall appoint and maintain a committee of at least five (5) qualified members of the Fiscal Body, to be known as the Investment Committee. At least one member of The Investment Committee shall be a Trustee currently serving on the Board of Trustees. The Commander-In-Chief and the Secretary of the Consistory (Fiscal Body) shall be members ex-officio of the committee and should be present at all meetings of the Investment Committee.

Section 2. The purpose of the Investment Committee is to invest all monies, securities, and other assets in the care of the Trustees, at the direction of, and consistent with, the policies of the Board of Trustees.

Section 3. The Investment Committee shall oversee any professionals, including accountants, financial advisors and attorneys that have been appointed by the Trustees to carry out the investment function thereof.

Section 4. The Investment Committee shall make a report of their work to the Board of Trustees at least quarterly, and in sufficient time for the Trustees to evaluate the report and present their findings to the Executive Committee at their regular quarterly meetings.

ARTICLE XV- AMENDMENTS

Section 1. No addition, alteration or amendment to these Rules and Regulations shall be made unless a motion therefor be presented in writing at stated meetings of each of the four Coordinate Bodies, with the names of the proposer and seconder. It shall be read by the Secretary and shall lie over without debate until the next stated or special meeting. In the notice for the meeting at which the proposed amendment or alteration is to be acted upon, it shall be set forth in full, with notice to the members that such will then be considered and acted upon; and if it shall then be approved by a majority of the members present, it shall be adopted.

Section 2. Any action of the Supreme Council, or of the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, which may affect or alter these Rules and Regulations in any respect, shall be regarded as an amendment to them, and these regulations shall thereafter be deemed amended to conform therewith.

**END OF RULES AND REGULATIONS of the SCOTTISH RITE BODIES of the
VALLEY OF HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

ADDENDUM 1

RESOLUTION 2021-1

ENACTING AND SETTING THE FEES REQUIRED TO RECEIVE SCOTTISH RITE DEGREES IN THE COORDINATE BODIES OF THE VALLEY OF HARRISBURG.

Be it resolved that the fees required to receive degrees in any body of the Coordinate Bodies of the Valley of Harrisburg shall be set, beginning on (state the effective date, usually the beginning of a Scottish Rite year) in the following amounts:

Harrisburg Lodge of Perfection	Eighty Dollars (\$80.00)
Harrisburg Council of Princes of Jerusalem	Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)
Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix	Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)
And Harrisburg Consistory	Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)
Total Fees	Two Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$230.00)

Be it also Resolved these fees shall remain in effect, and at these amounts specified, until such time as this Resolution may be superseded by action of the Valley of Harrisburg, the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, or the Supreme Council.

Date Proposed: _____

Date of Publication to the Membership: _____

Date of Adoption: _____

ATTEST: _____
Secretary, Harrisburg Consistory

ADDENDUM 2

RESOLUTION 2021-2

ENACTING AND SETTING ANNUAL DUES OF THE VALLEY OF HARRISBURG.

Be it resolved that the Annual Dues, payable on or before the first day of August of each year following the adoption of this resolution, and continuing until being superseded, shall be as follows:

For those members who belong to Harrisburg Lodge of Perfection, dues in the amount of One Hundred and Ten dollars (\$110.00) for 2021-2022 and One Hundred and Fifteen dollars (\$115.00) in 2022-2023.

For those who belong to a Lodge of Perfection in a Valley other than Harrisburg but have membership in Harrisburg Council of Princes of Jerusalem, the Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix and the Harrisburg Consistory, dues in the amount of Fifty dollars (\$50.00) for 2021-2022 and increasing in 2022-2023 to Fifty-Five dollars (\$55.00).

Be it also Resolved that these amounts specified are not inclusive of any member assessments enacted or imposed by the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation or the Supreme Council, and that these assessments will be added to the Annual Dues at the current rates established by those bodies.

Be it also Resolved the Annual Dues herein specified shall remain in effect, and at these amounts specified, until such time as this Resolution may be superseded by action of the Valley of Harrisburg.

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ATTEST: _____
Secretary, Harrisburg Consistory