

## 2023 Bylaw Amendment

### Section 179. Bylaws Governing Subordinate Chapters – Amendments

#### Currently reads:

**Section 179. UPON NOTICE.** Any member of Grand Chapter may give notice of intent to propose an amendment to the By-Laws by sending such notice with a copy of the proposed amendment or amendments to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, and to each member of the Jurisprudence Committee, thirty days or more before the Annual Session of Grand Chapter. The Grand Secretary shall print adequate copies of such proposed amendment or amendments for each voting member of the Grand Chapter to be available at the Credentials Headquarters during the Annual Session of Grand Chapter. **Any proposition to amend or repeal any provision of these By-Laws shall give the Section number and wording of current By-Law. Any proposed deletions would be crossed out or typed in italics (italics) through each word or letter. Any proposed additions would have an underscore ( \_ ) under each new letter.** Provided, that if only a numbered or lettered paragraph of a Section is affected, the paragraphs of the Section that are not affected need not be quoted. The proposal to amend placed before Grand Chapter in proper form, and with the approval of the Jurisprudence Committee may be adopted by a SIMPLE MAJORITY of the voting members present. If disapproved by the Jurisprudence Committee, then TWO-THIRDS (2/3) of those voting is required for passage.

#### Change to read:

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**Reason:** This allows voting members to have additional time to review amendments prior to attending Grand Chapter. Additionally, the cost of paper and toner required to print one copy per voting member is cost prohibitive to Grand Chapter. Grand Sessions are somewhere between the 5th and 15<sup>th</sup> of October. The change for submission from 30 to 45 days prior to our session allows the distribution of the amendments prior to the Subordinate Chapters meeting in September.

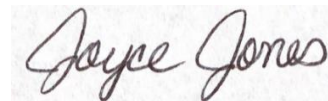
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