

# MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF NORTH CAROLINA & JURISDICTION, INC.

## Declaration of Organization

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons was organized under the National Compact, March 1, 1870 in the city of Wilmington, NC with the following officers: James Walker Hood, Most Worshipful Grand Master; Edward R. Dudley, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; George B. Willis, Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden; Hezekiah Reed, Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden; Olive M. Roane, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; J.J. Sawyer, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary and A.J. Henderson, Right Worshipful Grand Tyler, and

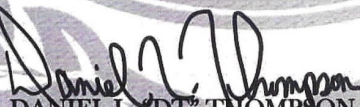
WHEREAS, James W. Hood, Stewart Ellison, G.H. White, Elijah Lane, E.R. Dudley, R.E. Clements, W.F. Debnam, M.M. Peace and J.T. Howe, were the incorporators of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient Masons of North Carolina under the leadership of Grand Master James H. Young whose incorporation was ratified by the General Assembly of North Carolina on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 1897, and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Grand Master George C. Carnes, a unanimous vote was taken in the city of Wilmington, NC on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 1958, at the Grand Lodge Session to merge the Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, Inc. and the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient Masons of North Carolina, and on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1959, the name of the surviving organization was The Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, Inc., and

WHEREAS, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1999, the name of the Grand Lodge was changed to The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and Jurisdiction, Inc. under the leadership of Most Worshipful Grand Master Marvin D. Chambers, and

WHEREAS on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020, in the city of Wilmington, NC, at the Sesquicentennial Celebration of Prince Hall Masonry in the Jurisdiction of North Carolina where the elected officers of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and Jurisdiction, Inc. are Daniel L. Thompson, Most Worshipful Grand Master; James C. Russell, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; Victor C. Cooper, Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden; Eric T. Badgett, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden; M. Trent Carmon, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary; David Holeman, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; Freddie A. Robertson, Right Worshipful Grand Trustee, Charles R. Smith, Right Worshipful Grand Trustee, Lee A. Woods, Right Worshipful Grand Trustee and Michael S. Blair, Right Worshipful Grand Tyler,

BE IT RESOLVED, on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020, in the city of Wilmington, NC, this Declaration of Organization is hereby signed and sealed to commemorate, celebrate and honor the organization, transition and history of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and Jurisdiction, Inc. SO MOTE IT BE!

  
DANIEL L. "DT" THOMPSON, KYGCH, 33<sup>rd</sup>

Most Worshipful Grand Master



  
MARVIN D. CHAMBERS, 33<sup>rd</sup>

22<sup>nd</sup> Most Worshipful Grand Master

  
MILTON F. FITCH, JR., 33<sup>rd</sup>

26<sup>th</sup> Most Worshipful Grand Master