

THE DEGREE OF ROYAL PURPLE RULES AND REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

Section 1. Purpose

- a. This Degree is conferred on a Majority Member of JD who gives of herself unselfishly in service to the Order. Her love for JD is demonstrated by this outstanding work after she becomes a MM.
- b. This is not an honor that a MM consciously works for but a recognition for love, devotion and service, that is far beyond the normal dedication of our MM—an honor rarely given.
- c. Nominations are not to be made lightly, nor should a Bethel consider every MM deserving of this honor, though many are deserving of our gratitude for their hours of service and dedication, their love and devotion for our Order.

ARTICLE II COMMITTEE

Section 1. Committee

- a. (MN-B-GGC Art. IV Sec. 4 (d) (1) – (4))
- b. The duties of this Committee are to:
 - (1) Review nominations for approval or disapproval.
 - (2) Conduct all correspondence necessary.
 - (3) Supervise the conferral of the Degree.

ARTICLE III REQUIREMENTS

Section 1. Requirements

- a. The nominee shall be a MM at least twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of her nomination.
- b. The nomination shall be based on the nominee's activities and contributions to JD AFTER becoming a MM (a Daughter becomes a MM on the date of her 20th birthday or the date of her marriage, whichever comes first). The nominee need not be a MM of the Bethel submitting the nomination, but can be nominated by a Bethel in which her dedication makes her worthy of this Degree.
- c. The nominee shall have been working with JDI for at least five (5) years and shall be currently active and working with our Order in this jurisdiction.
- d. The nominee, WITHOUT HER KNOWLEDGE, shall be nominated for the Degree by a member of a BGC or a member of the ExGGC. The Daughters of a Bethel may recommend a nominee.
- e. Nomination forms shall be requested from the GS or Chairman of the Degree of RP Committee.
- f. The nomination form shall contain the signatures of five (5) members, or all members if less than five (5), of a BGC, or five (5) members of the ExGGC.
- g. The nominators shall secure four (4) additional recommendations from responsible adults other than relatives, to be completed on the forms provided. At least two (2) of the recommendations shall be from someone connected officially with JDI.
- h. Completed nomination and recommendation forms shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Committee by December 1 each year for consideration by the Committee.
- i. The Chairman of the Committee shall notify the nominators on each application of the committee's decision on or before January 15 each year. It will be the responsibility of the nominators to ensure that the recipient(s) are present for conferral of the Degree. The recipient should not know of her nomination until she is informed by her nominators.
- j. The recipient shall present herself for the conferral of the Degree within two (2) years of acceptance to receive the award in a ceremony presented by the Officers of the GB at a time and place designated. In the event that it is impossible for the recipient to attend the conferral of the Degree, other arrangements for presentation of the Degree may be made by the GG and the Degree of RP Committee.
- k. If a medallion or pin is to be presented to the recipient at the time of conferral, the nominators are responsible for ordering their choice of medallion/pin from Doc Morgan Inc. The medallion/pin should be given to the Chairman of the Committee before the conferral of the Degree.
- l. The GGC shall be responsible for providing the recipient with a rose and a certificate.

ARTICLE IV TITLE

Section 1. Title

- a. The title bestowed on the recipient at the time of the conferral of the Degree is 'Recipient of the Degree of Royal Purple' (RP if written or printed).