

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE  
CONSTITUTION OF A GRAND GUARDIAN COUNCIL  
JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL**

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

**SECTION 1.**

- (a) The name of this organization is Grand Guardian Council of Missouri, Job's Daughters International.

**ARTICLE II  
OBJECT**

**SECTION 1.**

- (a) This Grand Guardian Council and its Grand Guardian, as the Executive Officer thereof, is supreme in its territorial jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to the Bethels, Bethel Guardian Councils, Grand Bethel and its own affairs, subject to the provisions of the laws of the Supreme Guardian Council.

**ARTICLE III  
AUTHORITY**

**SECTION 1.**

- (a) This Grand Guardian Council operates under authority of a Charter granted by the Supreme Guardian Council and dated October 4, 1924. The jurisdiction of this Grand Guardian Council shall be limited to the State of Missouri.

**ARTICLE IV  
MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.**

- (a) A Grand Guardian Council shall consist of the Grand Guardian Council Officers, Past Bethel Guardians and Past Associate Bethel Guardians of Bethels in the jurisdiction, the five (5) Executive members of the Bethel Guardian Council, chartered and under dispensation, and all members of the Supreme Guardian Council residing in such Grand Guardian Council jurisdiction who have been elected to membership in such Grand Guardian Council.
- (b) See SI 13 concerning loss of membership in the Grand Guardian Council.
- (c) There shall be no honorary members of this Grand Guardian Council.

**ARTICLE V  
OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1. ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

- (a) The elective officers of this Grand Guardian Council shall be: Grand Guardian (a woman), Associate Grand Guardian (a Master Mason), Vice Grand Guardian (a woman), Vice Associate Grand Guardian (a Master Mason), Grand Guide (a woman), Grand Marshal (a woman), Grand Inner Guard (a Master Mason), Grand Outer Guard (a Master Mason), Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer. (See SI 14.1)

**SECTION 2. APPOINTIVE OFFICERS**

- (a) The appointive officers shall be: Grand Chaplain, Grand Librarian, Grand Director of Music, Grand First Messenger, Grand Second Messenger, Grand Third Messenger, Grand Fourth Messenger, Grand Fifth Messenger, Grand Senior Custodian, and Grand Junior Custodian.

**SECTION 3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

- (a) The Grand Guardian shall be the executive officer of the Grand Guardian Council.

**SECTION 4. EXECUTIVE GRAND GUARDIAN COUNCIL**

(a) The Executive Grand Guardian Council shall be composed of the elective officers of the Grand Guardian Council.

**SECTION 5. RESTRICTION**

(a) The Grand Officers shall not hold two (2) offices in this Grand Guardian Council at the same time.

**ARTICLE VI  
ELIGIBILITY**

**SECTION 1.**

- (a) No person shall be eligible for election or appointment to office of a Grand Guardian Council unless she/he is a voting delegate thereof.
- (b) See Page C-GGC Art VI Section 1 (b).
- (c) No person shall be eligible to serve as an elective Grand Guardian Council officer, except as Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, who has not served at least one (1) term as a Bethel Guardian or Associate Bethel Guardian of a chartered Bethel.
  - (1) Bethel Guardians and Associate Bethel Guardians who are completing their first full term in said office at the time of an GGC election shall be eligible to serve as an elective officer of the GGC.
- (d) No member shall be eligible for the office of Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian who has not served as an elective officer of the same Grand Guardian Council for a period of one (1) term.
- (e) No Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian shall succeed herself/himself in office or be elected to the office of Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian a second time in the same Grand Guardian Council.
- (f) A Supreme Guardian Council officer may hold an office in a Grand Guardian Council.
- (g) The Grand Bethel Guardian and the Grand Bethel Associate Guardian shall not serve as a member of another Grand Guardian Council Committee or hold a Grand Guardian Council Office. This shall not prevent them from holding an office on a Bethel Guardian Council.

**ARTICLE VII  
ELECTION, VOTING PRIVILEGES, AND PROXY**

**SECTION 1. ELECTION**

- (a) Elective officers of the Grand Guardian Council shall be elected at the Annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday from eligible members in attendance, unless unavoidably absent.
- (b) Election shall be by Australian ballot without nomination. (See SI 14.2)
  - (1) The primary ballot method shall be Australian ballot or
  - (2) If there is a vacancy in the EGGC, the Ballot method can be single secret ballot.
  - (3) In the event of a vacancy, the EGGC would determine which method of balloting shall be used.
  - (4) The same ballot method used will continue through the course of balloting.
- (c) A majority vote of those present and voting shall elect.

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**SECTION 2. VOTING PRIVILEGES**

(a) Members of this Grand Guardian Council shall be entitled to one (1) vote each when present at a special meeting or Annual Session.

**SECTION 3. PROXY**

- (a) No member may have her/his vote cast by proxy except as follows: (See SI 14. 3)
  - (1) A proxy shall be issued to an Associate member of a Bethel Guardian Council only if the Associate member has Masonic status or affiliation for eligibility to become an Executive member of a Bethel Guardian Council.
  - (2) A proxy shall be limited to the particular Annual Session for which it is issued and shall be duly certified by the Executive members of the Bethel Guardian Council.
  - (3) No person shall have a proxy for more than one (1) office or be entitled to more than one (1) vote.

## **ARTICLE VIII APPOINTMENTS**

### **SECTION 1.**

- (a) Appointive officers shall be appointed by the incoming Grand Guardian at the Annual Session.

## **ARTICLE IX TERM**

### **SECTION 1.**

- (a) All officers shall be elected or appointed for a term of one (1) year, or until the close of the next Annual Session, but shall continue to perform the duties of their office until their successors have been installed.

## **ARTICLE X INSTALLATION**

### **SECTION 1.**

- (a) Officers present shall be installed before the close of the Annual Session.
- (b) No person shall be installed in the office of Grand Guardian, Associate Grand Guardian, Vice Grand Guardian, Vice Associate Grand Guardian who is an Executive member of a Bethel Guardian Council.
- (c) Members of the Supreme Guardian Council shall install the officers of a Grand Guardian Council. Members of the Grand Guardian Council may be appointed to assist in the ceremony.

## **ARTICLE XI VACANCIES**

### **SECTION 1.**

- (a) If the office of the Grand Guardian becomes vacant, the Vice Grand Guardian shall assume all the duties and prerogatives pertaining to that office and shall be known as the Acting Grand Guardian until and during the next Annual Session.
- (b) Such resignation and any information relative to the vacancy shall be directed to the Grand Secretary who shall notify the Supreme Guardian, Executive Manager, all Grand Guardian Council officers, Executive members of the Bethel Guardian Councils, chairmen of all Grand Guardian Council committees, and all other Grand Council members, affixing the seal of the Grand Guardian Council thereto.
- (c) The same procedure shall apply to the Vice Associate Grand Guardian should the office of the Associate Grand Guardian become vacant.
- (d) In the event of a vacancy in any other elective office, except that of the Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, the Grand Guardian shall appoint a Past Grand Guardian or a Past Associate Grand Guardian to fill the vacancy. A Past Bethel Guardian or Past Associate Bethel Guardian may be appointed by the Grand Guardian to fill a vacancy in the offices of Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer.

## **ARTICLE XII MEETINGS**

### **SECTION 1.**

- (a) The Annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council shall convene during the month of June of each year in the third or fourth week. The exact date and location shall be left to the discretion of the Grand Guardian, Associate Grand Guardian, and Grand Secretary. Such meetings, to begin on Thursday, shall continue in session, with suitable recesses, until the meeting is concluded on Saturday.
- (1) A Bethel may dispense with its meeting during the Annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council. It is recommended that during the Annual Session of the GGC of Missouri, there be no Bethel meetings, installations or activities, with the exception of the Grand Bethel of Missouri.
- (b) Rules of Order and Parliamentary Authority (moved the SI reference to (1) below)
- (1) A quorum for the transaction of business of this Grand Guardian Council shall consist of voting members of at least ten (10) different Executive Bethel Guardian Councils. (See SI 14.26)

- (2) One rap of the gavel calls to order or seats the assembly. Two raps of the gavel calls up the officers. Three raps of the gavel calls up the entire assembly.
  - (3) Members desiring to address the Grand Guardian Council shall rise, address the presiding officer, and after receiving recognition, state their name, name of the Bethel to which they belong, and then state the purpose for which they obtained the floor.
    - (a) All members who have received voting credentials and have registered as provided in the Manual of Rules and Regulations shall have the privilege of voting and taking part in the discussions.
  - (4) Unless permission is given by the assembly, no member shall speak longer than five (5) minutes, nor shall a member speak twice on any question until others who desire to speak have done so. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question except by permission.
  - (5) Robert's Rules of Order, Revised (latest edition) shall govern this Grand Guardian Council.
  - (6) The ruling of the presiding officer shall be final, subject to the Law of Appeal.
  - (7) The motion to adopt a proposed amendment to the Constitution and/or Bylaws may be made by a voting member present. A negative motion shall not be made.
  - (8) Any amendments to a proposed amendment lawfully submitted and any correction, addition or deletion thereof, accepted by the proposer and approved by the Jurisprudence Committee, shall be considered a part of the original proposal.
  - (9) A motion to lay a pending question on the table shall require a majority vote of those present and voting.
  - (10) These rules of order may be amended or suspended at any time by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting.
  - (11) Any voting delegate desiring to leave the room during the election, may do so by depositing her/his delegate's badge with the Grand Outer Guard. Before re-entering the Grand Guardian Council room, said delegate will reclaim her/his badge from the Grand Outer Guard. Any delegate not desiring to return to the Grand Guardian Council room during election need not deposit her/his badge with the Grand Outer Guard.
- (c) Special meetings may be called by the Grand Guardian, with the consent of the Associate Grand Guardian and Vice Grand Guardian, whenever deemed necessary. The entire membership shall be notified in writing of the meeting, with special emphasis on the reason for the call.
  - (d) Meetings of the Executive Grand Guardian Council may be called by the Grand Guardian with the consent of the Associate Grand Guardian and the Vice Grand Guardian. The officers shall be notified in writing of the meeting with special emphasis on the reason for call.