

**Resolution of
The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons
of the State of South Carolina**

To the Family of: _____

How sweet it is at evening, after a long and well spent day, to close the eyes in slumber, and rest from the toil of the day. It is doubly sweet, at the close of a well spent life to turn one's face toward the sunset and quietly sink into the rest that knows no waking except in the presence of God. Such was the passing of our Brother, _____, after a useful life on earth.

We pause to reflect and consider This Life and the work of our Dear Brother, and from his achievements we seek to gain inspiration and courage, to meet the trials and tribulations of this transitory existence.

Though the certainty of death and the uncertainty of Life is ever with us, each visit of the Angel of death brings new sorrow and humbles us in our quest and struggle of Glory and Fulfillment.

The Mortal House that contained the Soul and Spirit of our Beloved Brother, now lies before us overtaken by that fate which must sooner or later overtake us all: for there is no power of station, no virtue or bravery, no wealth or honor, no tears of friends or agonies of relatives that can avert it.

WHEREAS: It has pleased the Master of the Universe, the All Wise and Most Glorious God to sever another link in the Fraternal Chain that binds us, may we who survive him not forget that we too are mortal, and that our bodies, like his, must return to God who from the dust made us into Existence: and,

WHEREAS: We express our gratitude to God for having this beautiful life of Brother _____ among us for a long time to train and blossom us with his outstanding teaching, leadership, and servitude. Brother _____, was a member of _____ Lodge No. _____.

WHEREAS: This Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge desires to place on record our love and esteem for our beloved Brother's labor and life,

BE IT RESOLVED: That though his presence will be greatly missed, we bow in humble submission and acceptance to the unerring wisdom of **God**, who makes no mistakes, but doeth all things well.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Officers and Members of _____ Lodge No. _____ join in extending our profound condolences to the family and commend them to the divine guidance of **Him** who can lead them on to a more noble and upright life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution is given to the family and a copy placed in the archives of _____ Lodge No. _____.

GIVEN THIS _____ **DAY OF** _____ **A.D. 20**_____

Humbly Submitted:

Worshipful Master

Secretary

**Lynwood F. Givens
28th Most Worshipful Grand Master**