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**THEME: “Our God, Our Children, And Our Heritage”**

Date: 6Nov2009

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Ref: Burial Ceremony Proclamation

**Greetings:** Brothers,

The below Proclamation for Burial Ceremony shall be recited prior to performance of all Masonic Burial Ceremonies. Its purpose is to identify the Lodge conducting the ceremony as Prince Hall Masons.

**Proclamation for Burial Ceremony**

**Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye!**

**Greetings, I am \_\_\_\_\_ the Marshall of  
\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge located in \_\_\_\_\_ SC. The  
Worshipful Master is Brother \_\_\_\_\_. We are a  
subordinate Lodge of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of South  
Carolina where Brother \_\_\_\_\_ is our Grand  
Master. We the Officers, Members and Visiting Brothers  
are assembled in the character of the Order to perform our  
solemn duties and pay our final respect to our departed  
Brother. May silence prevail as we begin our Burial  
Ceremony?**

May God forever bless and keep you. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Fraternally and respectfully,

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