



1 of Free Masonry for the Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana, its Territories and  
2 Dependences; and

3 WHEREAS, the emblem of the Order is a five point star with a white ray of the star  
4 pointing toward the manger; and

5 WHEREAS, the character building lessons taught in the Order are stories inspired  
6 by biblical figures; and

7 WHEREAS, the Martha Grand Chapter is domiciled in New Orleans, Louisiana and  
8 is a fraternal organization built on the principles of faith, hope, and love; and

9 WHEREAS, the Martha Grand Chapter holds its Grand Session annually, the  
10 Monday after the fourth Sunday in June, at a place as designated by the Grand Chapter; and

11 WHEREAS, the Martha Grand Chapter has subordinate chapters in Connecticut,  
12 Rhode Island, Maryland, New York, North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C.,  
13 Washington, and Wisconsin; and

14 WHEREAS, past Grand Matrons of Martha Grand Chapter include sisters Lillian  
15 Loeb, Kate Jones, Ethel D. Ford, Rose Mary Young and the present Grand Matron, Emeld  
16 Keys; and

17 WHEREAS, past Grand Patrons include brothers Robert Coston, Theodore Williams,  
18 Chester Lewis, Lawrence Blount and the present Grand Patron, Walter Evans Jr.; and

19 WHEREAS, Sister Emeld M. Keys, Grand Worthy Matron of Martha Grand Chapter,  
20 Order of Eastern Star, has called the Grand Session, Sunday, June 26, 2011, in a  
21 Thanksgiving Service, at the New Zion Baptist Church in New Orleans, Louisiana where Dr.  
22 C.S. Gordon, Jr., will deliver the sermon; and

23 WHEREAS, the business session will open at Doubletree Hotel in New Orleans,  
24 Louisiana and will last through Wednesday, June 29, 2011, where the election of the grand  
25 officers will be held; and

26 WHEREAS, on Thursday, June 30, 2011, the Grand Amaranth Court will open a  
27 grand banquet and installation of grand officers.

28 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
29 commend the Martha Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star in honor of their annual Grand  
30 Session to be held on June 26 through June 30, 2011.

1           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Sister  
2   Emeld M. Keys, Grand Worthy Matron.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michelle Broussard-Johnson.

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DIGEST

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