

MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO AND ITS JURISDICTION

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TO: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Grand Worthy Matron and Grand Worthy Patron, Columbine Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star PHA Concordant and Appendant Bodies of Masonry Owing Allegiance to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F&AM, Colorado and its Jurisdiction, Inc.

GREETINGS: Proclamation No. 2025/26 - 001: Prince Hall Americanism Day

KNOW YE, in accordance with established customs and traditions of the Code of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado and Its Jurisdiction Inc., and by the power and authority in me vested as the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons, I Jeffery O. Alexander does hereby direct all lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction to celebrate Prince Hall Americanism Day with some suitable service or ceremony on or about Sunday, September 14, 2025, and No Later than October 5, 2025. An invitation is being extended to the Grand Worthy Matron of Columbine Grand Chapter, O.E.S., P.H.A., to participate in this program. I also encourage you to invite the sisters of your local Chapters to share this occasion with you. The dress will be Masonic dress to include regalia. Note: All Head of Houses or their representatives are encouraged to wear their Dress Uniform and Regalia.

In years past, the Masonic Family was one of the chief supporters of the NAACP and NAACP Legal Defense Fund. Prince Hall Americanism Day was instituted in 2000 to implement and move our civic responsibility forward. In conjunction with this observance, we use this occasion to raise funds for the NAACP and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. During this time of our history, with threats to our human rights as citizens, the challenge we face if the Voting Act of 1965 is not renewed, and along with other rights we have gained throughout the years, are being challenged. This is a very important time for contributing to the NAACP and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

Therefore, I further encourage all Lodges to donate to your local NAACP and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

Given under my hand as Most Worshipful Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons of Colorado and its Jurisdictions this 15th day of August 2025, and to which I have caused to be affixed the Seal of the Grand Lodge of Colorado by the Grand Secretary.

Worshipful Masters, have this Proclamation in its entirety read at your next communications, until 30 September 2025.

Fraternally

Jeffery O. Alexander
Most Worshipful Grand Master
MWPGL of Colorado



Attest:

Michael Cousar
Right Worshipful Grand Secretary
MWPGL of Colorado

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Prince Hall History:

Prince Hall, whom we as Prince Hall Masons recognize as the Father of Negro Masonry in the United States, made it possible for us today to be recognized and to enjoy all the privileges of Free and Accepted Masons. He was born in Barbados, B.W.I., in 1748 and settled in Boston, Massachusetts in the year 1765. On March 6, 1775, Prince Hall and fourteen other Negro men were initiated in Masonry into Irish Military Lodge, No. 441. In March 1775, Prince Hall organized the First Black Lodge of Free Masons in the United States under the name of African Lodge No 1 and they operated by Warrant No. 459, (that was granted in 1784 but not received until 1787). This warrant was issued by the Grand Lodge of England and they were renamed African Lodge No 459. On June 24, 1791, African Grand Lodge was formed.

To honor its founder, the name was changed to The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1808. Today, Colorado's Prince Hall Masonry can be traced as follows, Massachusetts; to Rhode Island, to Pennsylvania; to Ohio; to Kansas; and then to Colorado Territory.

On November 17, 1876, Rocky Mountain Lodge No. 1 was duly organized in Denver, Colorado as a part of the Kansas Jurisdiction. On 17 January 1876, the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado was formed and continues to flourish today as the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado and its Jurisdictions, Inc.

On March 12, 1947, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts acknowledged "Negro Masonry of Prince Hall Affiliation" to be legitimate and "duly constituted." Since that time, the courts of many of the several states and the U.S. Supreme Court have decreed Prince Hall Masonry to be legitimate and duly constituted

"May Brotherly Love Prevail"

Note: The name of this Jurisdiction is "The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The State of Colorado and Its Jurisdiction, Inc. "

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