RESOLUTION 2011-1

The proponents of this resolution seek to amend the Article XXXIII, Section 33-7.16 and 33-7.17 of the Grand Council Constitution pertaining to distribution of Life Membership funds.

WHEREAS, the Life Membership Fund has been established to provide a flow of funds to the member Councils and;

WHEREAS, the flow of funds from the Life Membership Fund was intended to offset the cost to the member Councils of the annual per-capita fee imposed on the member Councils by the Grand Council and;

WHEREAS, the annual per-capita has increased since the inception of the current Life Membership Plan and;

WHEREAS, Article XXXIII, Section 33-7.16 of the Grand Council Constitution states that “The interest derived from the investment of the principle of the Life Membership Fund shall, annually, be distributed to the Councils prorated according to the total amount each Council shall have to its credit in the Account.” and;

WHEREAS, Article XXXIII, Section 33-7.17 of the Grand Council Constitution states that “The Investment Committee of the Grand Council shall review the Life membership schedule at least every five (5) years and more often if deemed advisable, to determine if the Life membership schedule has been established on a sound basis, and that the principal sum has not, in any way, been diminished.” and

WHEREAS, the interest portion of the earnings in the Fund is inadequate to cover the current levels of per-capita and;

WHEREAS, interest fluctuations each year can cause wide variations in annual returns to Councils, making budgeting difficult,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT XXXIII, Section 33-7.16 be replaced as follows “An annual distribution to the Councils, pro-rata according to the total amount each Council shall have to its credit in the Fund, shall be made within one month of end of the Calendar Year. This distribution shall be no less than 5.0% and no more than 7.0% of the average market value of the Fund over the last three years. The actual percentage will be determined by the Investment Committee and forwarded to the Grand Recorder. This distribution check will show amount credited to the Council and per cent of distribution.”

And that Article XXXIII, Section 33-7.17 be modified to read as follows:

“The Investment Committee of the Grand Council shall review the Life membership schedule at least every five (5) years and more often if deemed advisable, to determine if the Life Membership schedule has been established on a sound basis, and that the principal sum has not been diminished in a material amount.”

Respectfully submitted: Raymond D. Godeke (14)
Frederick J. Potter (15)
RESOLUTION 2011-2

The proponents of this resolution seek to amendment Part IV Appendices of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California, Appendix B, Standing Resolution VI of the Grand Council Constitution pertaining to the logo of the Councils and Grand Council, which states:

“VI - Grand Council Emblem

The official logo of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California shall consist of a square, a circle, a broken triangle, a sword and a trowel. These emblems are only outlines as indicated by the accompanying drawing.”

WHEREAS, the proponents seek to upgrade our official Emblem/Logo and improve the visibility and identity of Cryptic Masonry in California

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Part IV Appendices of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California, Standing Resolution B, Grand Council Emblem shall be amended to state:

Constituent Council Emblem/Logo

The emblem/logo of a Council of Cryptic Masons of California shall consist of a circle, a broken triangle, a sword and a trowel, with the words Council of Cryptic Masons California placed within a surrounding circle.”

This logo shall be made available on the Grand Council of California’s official website for download and use by elected officers of California’s Constituent Councils for Fraternal non-profit uses. It shall not be used for any other purpose without the express written consent of the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California. Portions of the graphics are subject to express written permission and/or copyright law.

The Emblem/Logo is shown below.
In addition:

**Grand Council Emblem/Logo**

The emblem/logo of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California shall consist of a circle, a broken triangle, a sword and a trowel, surrounded by a laurel with the words Grand Council of Cryptic Masons California placed within a surrounding circle.”

This logo is for the use by Grand Officers of California’s Grand Council of Cryptic Masons for Fraternal non-profit uses. It shall not be used for any other purpose without the express written consent of the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California. Portions of the graphics are subject to express written permission and/or copyright law.

The Emblem/Logo is shown below.

![Emblem/Logo](image)

Respectfully submitted:  **Robert A. L. Whitfield** (12)  
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**Kenneth G. Hope** (35)

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**RESOLUTION 2011-3**

The proponent of this resolution seeks to amendment Standing Resolution SR VIII, Section 4. of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of California, pertaining to the awarding of the Master of Ish Sodi Award.

**WHEREAS**, there is some confusion as to how a Companion is chosen to receive this award, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT** Section 4 be replaced with:

The Companion eligible to receive this award shall have been selected by a committee of three previous recipients of the award, appointed by the Illustrious Master at the beginning of his term. This committee will meet and decide if any Companion is worthy of the award and then make a recommendation at a Stated Assembly. A motion should then be made to accept the recommendation and voted on by the members. In the event that the Council does not have 3 previous recipients of the award, the Illustrious Master shall request an exemption from the Most Illustrious Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted: **Kenneth G. Hope**, (35)