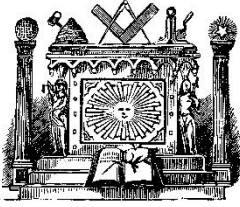


Conference of Grand Masters Prince Hall Masons, Inc.



September 21, 2017

The Conference of Grand Masters, Prince Hall Masons, Inc. is an association of the 47 Prince Hall Masonic Grand Lodges dispersed throughout the United States, two provinces in Canada, the Bahamas, Liberia and the Caribbean.

The purpose of the Conference is to meet annually to discuss and share information of common interest in Freemasonry, but more importantly, to discuss and share ideas and concerns that impact the African American Community economically, socially and as it relates to public policy. Prince Hall Freemasonry has established a 240 year legacy of leadership in addressing these concerns.

The Conference, while convened at its 98th Annual Meeting, May 17 – 21, 2017 in Dallas, TX., addressed the issue of Sickle Cell Anemia Disease and its impact on the African American Community. As a result of a White Paper presented by MW Malcolm E. Harris, Grand Master of Pennsylvania which was previously approved by the Northeast Conference of Grand Masters Region and adopted by the Conference, an Educational Project is being initiated to inform our Community of the symptoms, treatment and understanding of the Sickle Cell Disease and the Sickle Cell Trait. According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), approximately 100,000 people in the United States are living with the Sickle Cell Disease, mainly Blacks or African Americans.

The Conference has resolved to partnership with the SCDAAs Chapters, to conduct Educational Awareness Seminars, Provide information and referral services, Educate our members and utilize our vast network of supporters to spread the message. We will also participate in the Sickle Cell Awareness Month (September). Recent developments by staff of St. Jude Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, have developed a cure for this debilitating disease. It is our intention to further educate our community on this breakthrough.

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