# Job’s Daughters International

# Constitution of Michigan

# Grand Guardian Council

# ARTICLE I

# NAME

**Section 1.**

(**MI-a**) The name of this organization is Job’s Daughters International, Grand Guardian Council of Michigan.

# ARTICLE II

# OBJECT

**Section 1.**

(a) The object of the GGC is to be supreme in its jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to the Bethels, Bethel Guardian Councils and its own affairs, subject to the provisions of the laws of the Supreme Guardian Council.

# ARTICLE III

# AUTHORITY

**Section 1.**

(MI-a) This GGC operates under authority of a Charter granted by the Supreme Guardian Council and dated August 29, 1940. The jurisdiction of this GGC shall be limited to the State of Michigan.

(b) Manuals of Rules and Regulations of GGCs shall include Art. I, II, and III, Sec. 1(a) in same. The format for the Manual, and subsequent amendments thereto, shall follow the same sequence as that of this Constitution, Bylaws and Standard Operating Procedures of a GGC. (See B-GGC Art. XVII Sec. 1) for prerogatives extended to GGCs)

(c) All amendments to Rules and Regulations and Book of Ceremonies for a GGC require approval by Supreme Jurisprudence.

# ARTICLE IV

# MEMBERSHIP

**Section 1.**

1. A GGC shall consist of the GGC Officers, Past Bethel Guardians and Past Associate Bethel Guardians of Bethels in the jurisdiction, the five (5) Executive members of the BGC, chartered and under dispensation, and all members of the SGC residing in such GGC jurisdiction who have been elected to membership in such GGC.
2. See B-SGC Art. XIX Sec. 1 concerning loss of membership in the GGC.

# ARTICLE V

# OFFICERS

**Section 1. Elective Officers**

(MI-a) The elective officers of a GGC shall be: Grand Guardian (a woman), Associate Grand Guardian (a Master Mason), Vice Grand Guardian (a woman), Vice Associate Grand Guardian (a Master Mason), Grand Guide (a woman), Grand Marshal (a woman), Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer.

Grand Inner Guard (a Master Mason), Grand Outer Guard (a Master Mason) (See B-GGC, Art. XIII Sec. 1 Prerogatives Extended to a GGC)

**Section 2. Appointive Officers**

(MI-a) The ten (10) appointive officers shall be the Grand Chaplain, Grand Librarian, Grand Director of Music, Grand First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Messengers, Grand Senior Custodian and Grand Junior Custodian.

**Section 3. Executive Officer**

(a) The Grand Guardian shall be the executive officer of the GGC.

**Section 4. Executive GGC**

(a) The Executive GGC shall be composed of the elective officers of the GGC.

# ARTICLE VI

# ELIGIBILITY

**Section 1.**

1. No person shall be eligible for election or appointment to office of a GGC unless she/he is a voting delegate thereof. If the GGC is in the USA, Canada or Australia, the delegate shall be on the current list of CAVs provided by the Executive Manager.
2. In jurisdictions where Masons are prohibited from serving as Associate Grand Guardians or Vice Associate Grand Guardians, the Grand Guardian, with the advice and consent of the Executive GGC, may authorize election and installation of eligible women to serve in these offices.
3. After the first election of the GGC officers, no person shall be eligible to serve as an elective GGC officer, except as Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, who has not served at least one (1) term as a Bethel Guardian or Associate Bethel Guardian of a chartered Bethel.

(1) Bethel Guardians and Associate Bethel Guardians who are completing their first full term in said office at the

time of a GGC election shall be eligible to serve as an elective officer of the GGC.

1. No member shall be eligible for the office of Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian who has not served, or who is not completing service, as an elective officer of the same GGC for a period of one (1) term.
2. No Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian shall succeed herself/himself in office or be elected to the office of Grand Guardian or Associate Grand Guardian a second time in the same GGC. (See B-GGC, Art. XIII Sec. 1.29)
3. A SGC Officer may hold an office in a GGC.

(MI-g) Any man holding an appointive office shall be a Master Mason in good standing in the Masonic Jurisdiction under which he holds membership.

(MI-h) Neither the Grand Secretary nor Grand Treasurer shall hold office for a period longer than seven (7) consecutive years.

# ARTICLE VII

# COMMITTEES

**Section 1. Eligibility**

(a) No person shall be eligible to serve on a standing committee of a GGC unless she/he is a voting delegate thereof.

(1) Persons who have served on a BGC shall be eligible to serve on other committees.

(b) An elected GGC officer shall not serve on the Appeals and Grievances Committee.

(c) An elected GGC officer shall not serve on the Jurisprudence Committee.

**Section 2. Restrictions**

1. The spouses of the Grand Guardian or the Associate Grand Guardian shall not serve on either the Appeals and Grievances Committee or the Jurisprudence Committee.
2. No spouses, family member, or members of the Jurisprudence Committee shall serve on the Appeals and Grievances Committee.

(MI-c) The following people shall not serve on the Audit Committee: members of the Executive Grand Guardian Council, husband and/or wife of the Grand Secretary, husband and/or wife of the Grand Treasurer, members of the Finance Committee

(MI-d**)** The following people shall not serve on the Finance Committee: husband and/or wife of the GG or AGG

(MI-e) The following people shall not serve on the Board of Trustees of the Educational Fund: elective Officers of the Grand Guardian Council

# ARTICLE VIII

# DEPUTIES

**Section 1. Grand Deputy**

1. A Grand Deputy may be appointed to:
   1. Institute Bethels.
   2. Instruct and/or inspect Bethels.
   3. Assist Bethels which may require help.
2. A SGC officer may hold an office as a Grand Deputy.

**Section 2. Deputy Grand Guardian**

1. If deemed advisable for promotional purposes, the Grand Guardian may designate the title of Deputy Grand Guardian to a Grand Deputy.
2. An individual who makes an official inspection on behalf of a Grand Guardian shall be designated as a Deputy Grand Guardian.

**MI Section 3. Grand Counselors**

1. Grand Counselors are appointed at the option of the Grand Guardian.
2. Duties of the Grand Counselors shall be as the Grand Guardian directs (MI B-GGC Art. III Sec.2 (MI o))