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THE HONORABLE ORDER OF
A M E R I C A N C O - M A S O N R Y
THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

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LANDMARKS

1. A belief in the existence of a Supreme Being as the Great Architect of the Universe.
2. A belief in a life beyond death.
3. A "Book of the Law" shall constitute an indispensable part of the furniture of every Lodge ("Book of the Law" is that volume that, in religion, is believed to contain the revealed will of the Great Architect of the Universe).
4. The equality of all Masons; as children of T.G.A.O.T.U. we meet in the Lodge upon the Level.
5. Candidates for Initiation are required to be just, upright and free, of mature age, sound judgment and strict morals.
6. The foundation of a speculative Science upon an Operative Art, and the symbolic use and explanation of the terms of that Art, are for purposes of religious or moral teaching.
7. Every Mason is amenable to the Laws and Regulations of the Masonic Jurisdiction in which he resides.
8. The modes of recognition.
9. The division of Blue Masonry into three degrees.
10. The Legend of the Third Degree.
11. The necessity for Masons to congregate in Lodges.
12. The government of the Craft, when regularly congregated in a Lodge, by a Master and two Wardens.
13. The necessity that every Lodge, when regularly congregated, should be duly Tyled.
14. The right of every Mason to appeal from the decision of his Brethren in Lodge convened, to the Supreme Council.
15. The right of every Master Mason to visit and sit in every regular Lodge to which he is entitled by degree.
16. No visitor, unknown to the Brethren present, can enter the Lodge without first passing an examination according to ancient usage.
17. The right of every Mason to be represented in the annual meeting, personally or by an instructed proxy.
18. No Lodge can interfere in the business of another Lodge.
19. There are secrets of Masonry that are not to be profaned.
20. The government of the Order by a presiding Officer called The Most Sovereign Grand Commander.
21. The prerogative of The Most Sovereign Grand Commander to preside over every assembly of the Order.
22. The prerogative of The Most Sovereign Grand Commander to grant dispensations for conferring degrees at irregular times.
23. The prerogative of The Most Sovereign Grand Commander to give dispensations for opening and holding Lodges.
24. The prerogative of The Most Sovereign Grand Commander to convene a Lodge and to confer degrees.
25. These Landmarks are considered inviolable.