INSTALLATION SERVICE

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An open Installation Service may be amplified with appropriate features, such as musical selections, addresses, and presentation of tokens suitable to the ceremony. It should be made as impressive as possible, since it is an opportunity for DeMolays to explain and exemplify the purposes of the Order to those who may never learn them otherwise.

At the discretion of the Executive Officer, the Officers may only be installed in the order shown or in the reverse order. Additionally, the installation of specific officers may be divided among the other members of the Installing Team. This would allow others to have more opportunities for performance. However, the Installing Officer is always responsible for knowing his entire portion of the ceremony. When installing an officer, the member of the Installing Team should move to point O. Floor movements should be done in an efficient manner.

With permission from the Executive Officer, the Master Councilor's pledges may be asked by another DeMolay or adult, but must be done by memory.

Required Parts: Installing Officer: I.O., Installing Senior Councilor: I.S.C., Installing Junior Councilor: I.J.C., Installing Marshal: I.Mar., Installing Chaplain: I.Ch., Installing Senior Deacon: I.S.D.

Required Paraphernalia: Gavel on I.O.'s and I.S.C.'s pedestal; Holy Bible closed on Altar; school books on pedestal of I.O.; National flag in a standard as indicated on Diagram One; seven candlesticks with candles arranged as indicated on Diagram One.

Optional Paraphernalia: Altar cloth; Chapter banner placed in standard situated as indicated on Diagram One; Altar flowers; pedestal covers; baton for I.Mar.

Installing team member occupies the station of the correspondingly-named Chapter Officer until that Officer is installed, at which time the installing team member will move to an extra chair which has been reserved for him.

Officers line up single file at door in this order: I.O., I.S.C., I.J.C., I.Mar., I.Ch., I.S.D. I.O. leading moves from point A to F G J forming triangle as listed below:

I.O.
I.S.C I.J.C.
I.S.D. I.Mar. I.Ch.

They kneel for a moment of silent prayer.

I.O. Amen.

Installing officers rise and I.O. moves J K V U X, faces West.

I.O. * (rap)

Simultaneously I.S.C. faces left and I.J.C. faces right. They move to their respective walking bands and then to their stations. As soon as they reach the walking bands, simultaneously I.S.D. faces left, and I.Mar. and I.Ch. face right. They move to their respective walking bands and then to their stations, with I.Mar. following I.Ch.

I.O. * (rap)

All except I.O. sit down.

I.O. Friends, on behalf of ..... Chapter, Order of DeMolay, we welcome you most cordially to this ceremony of installing the Officers who have been elected or appointed for the ensuing term. It may not be out of place at this time to explain briefly the general purposes of our Order, to which only young men between the ages of 12 and 21 years are eligible. While we have secret signs, words and modes of recognition, we have no secrets from the world so far as our central purposes are concerned. We are banded together for mutual improvement, to help each other live clean, manly, upright, patriotic lives, which will be a credit to our parents and friends, and which will merit the commendation of all good men. In our meetings we inculcate only principles which are in harmony with this exalted purpose and in our daily lives we seek to carry them into effect. We feel we can rightly bespeak for our Order in general and for ourselves in particular the hearty assistance of all good men and women.

I.O. Brother Installing Senior Deacon, you will attend at the Altar.

Suggested music cue:

I.S.D. moves X Z M Candle 1, lights it and then lights others in order crossing between the Altar and the East as he does so. I.O. begins following speech as I.S.D. begins to light Candle 1. I.O. and I.S.D. coordinate speech and actions so that Candle 7 is lighted just as I.O. concludes speech.

Our forefathers were well aware that religious liberty, represented by the Holy Bible, civil liberty, represented by the flag of our county, and intellectual liberty, represented by the school books, must go hand in hand in order to be effective. Around these bulwarks, the Order of DeMolay places seven candles which are symbolic of the seven cardinal virtues of a DeMolay – filial love, reverence for sacred things, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanness and patriotism. As the light from these candles permeates this Chapter room, let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father Who is in Heaven.

I.S.D. moves from Candle 7 J K Z X, faces West.

I.O. * (rap)

I.S.D. sits down.

I.O. Brother Installing Senior Councilor, you will open the Holy Bible on the Altar.

* * * (3 raps)

All stand. I.S.C.. moves X J, faces East, kneels without touching the Altar, opens Bible reverently and slowly, rises without touching the Altar.

I.S.C. We open the Holy Bible, the foundation of our faith in everlasting days, upon the Altar as a symbol of the religious liberty which is the birthright of all people. Upon that Altar it is not the emblem of any creed or the repository of any system of theology, but the word of the one living and true God, Whose universal Fatherhood teaches the inescapable lesson of the brotherhood of all His sons. Without the opportunity to worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences, our freedom would be a mockery and therefore, as the foundation of all our liberties, we place the word of God upon our Altar and I solemnly

enjoin the members of this Chapter ever to walk in the light of its teachings and never to meet save around its opened pages.

I.S.C. moves J X, faces East.

I.O. Brother Installing Junior Councilor, you will see that the flag of our country is presented at the Altar.

I.J.C. Brother Installing Senior Deacon, you will present the flag of our country at the Altar.

Brethren and friends, you will stand at attention and salute our flag.

Standing at attention means that a person stands with head and body erect facing the flag. As the flag moves, the head and body are moved so that the person always faces the flag. I.S.D. carries the flag with left hand high – right hand low – on the flag staff, with the staff extending past his right side (see Figure 6.)

In The United States of America, the salute is defined as follows: Placing the right hand over the heart with fingers joined. A person (other than one in military uniform) who is covered removes his headgear and holds it over his heart with his right hand.

As I.S.D. picks up flag, all present salute. The salute is dropped when I.S.D. stops West of the Altar.

The same salute is made during the pledge to the flag. The same salute is again made when the I.S.D. starts to leave the Altar and is dropped when he has replaced the flag in its stand. I.S.D. does not salute the flag at any time.

Suggested music cue:

I.S.D. moves from flag standard Z T F G, faces Altar and moves toward it until he is about 6 feet from point J. All except I.S.D. repeat in unison the pledge to the flag. It is strongly urged that the pledge be followed immediately with the singing of the National anthem or another appropriate patriotic song. I.S.D. does not sing.

I.J.C. Brethren, join me in saluting and pledging allegiance to the flag.

ALL I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Suggested music cue: National anthem or other patriotic song.

I.J.C. Brethren and friends, let us sing our opening ode.

I.J.C. moves X L N O, faces West.

I.J.C. We present the flag at the Altar as a symbol of the civil liberty without which there could be no religious freedom. It is especially appropriate that this flag should be committed to the custody of these young men, so soon to become the citizens by whose patriotism its honor must be defended, whether on the fields of battle or on the perpetual battlefields where good citizenship wages war with bad. In all the crises of the nation's history, we

have called upon our young manhood and thank God it has never failed to respond. Young men have fought every war our country has ever waged and the red upon that glorious banner is dyed a richer hue with the precious blood the nation's youth has shed. We, therefore, present it at our Altar as a sentinel to guard us while we worship and I solemnly enjoin the members of this Chapter never to meet save beneath its protecting folds, and outside the Chapter walls, ever to live worthy of that sacred banner.

I.J.C. moves O N L X, faces North. After I.J.C. is in station, I.S.D. does about face, moves G H V to flag standard, replaces flag, then moves X, faces West.

I.O. *(rap)

All except I.O. sit down. I.O. carrying school books, moves X U O, faces West, places school books on Northeast corner of Altar.

I.O. From the station in the East, emblematic of the morning years of life, we place the school books on the Altar as a symbol of the intellectual liberty, without which there could be neither civil nor religious freedom. They are particularly emblematic of the great public school system of our country, the foundation of that universal enlightenment which is the crowning glory of our institutions. Devoted championship of our public schools is a cardinal teaching of the Order of DeMolay. We are unalterably opposed to the same building housing a school, a church and a seat of civil government. Civil, religious and intellectual liberty are the three sources of our country's greatness, but they must stand alone, upon separate foundations and under separate roofs. These books, representative of those being carried to and from the public schools by millions of boys and girls each day, are just as vital symbols of our liberties as the Holy Bible, which is the rule and guide of our faith, or the flag which protects the church, the school and the seat of civil power. We, therefore, place these books upon the Altar and I solemnly enjoin the members of this Chapter ever to stand unswervingly for the protection and perpetuity of the free public schools, the citadel of our safety and the source of the only real freedom possible in a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

I.O. moves O U X, faces West.

I.O. As no great undertaking should ever begin without asking the blessing of Almighty God, let us give our attention to the Installing Chaplain as he leads us in prayer.

* * * (3 raps)

All stand.

I.O. Brother Installing Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer.

All lights except the candles and Altar spot are dimmed. I.Ch. conducted by I.Mar. moves X Z I J. I.Ch. halts at point J. I.Mar. takes one step further, both face East. I.Ch. takes one step towards Altar, simultaneously I.Mar. takes one stop backward away from Altar. As I.Ch. and I.Mar. leave their stations, all Active DeMolays in the East and the I.S.C. and I.J.C. descend to the floor level.

I.O. Active DeMolays will kneel on left knee. All others will remain standing.

All Active DeMolays except I.Mar. kneel in unison as I.Ch. kneels.

I.Ch. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we thank thee for the many opportunities we have had to display Thy manifold gifts of grace. We thank Thee for the privilege of service and

for the knowledge of Thine eternal love. We ask Thy special blessing upon these Officers who assume the responsibilities of leadership in this Chapter. Reassure them of Thy continued guidance and protecting care. Give them the will to understand, the courage to do that which is right, and the strength to carry out Thy teachings. Amen.

ALL Amen.

Active DeMolays rise as I.Ch. rises. I.Ch. takes one step backward away from Altar; simultaneously I.Mar. takes one step forward. Both face North. I.Ch. takes one step forward to I.Mar.'s side, I.Ch. conducted by I.Mar. moves J K V Z, I.Ch., crosses in front of I.Mar. and moves X, stands facing his station. I.Mar. moves Z X and simultaneously both I.Ch. and I. Mar. face West. As I.Ch. and I.Mar. leave Altar, all Active DeMolays who were in the East and I.S.C. and I.J.C. return to daises. Lights raised to full.

I.O. I now declare this Chapter open for the purpose of installation.

* (rap)

All except I.O. sit down.

Suggested music cue:

I.O. Brother Installing Marshal, you will read the names of the Officers who have been elected or appointed to serve this Chapter for the ensuing term.

Done.

If the Chapter so desires the Officers may already be seated within the Chapter room, either at the stations which they are about to assume, or in a predesignated area. If either of these methods is used, then the Officers will form the triangle as prescribed in Diagram 2 when their names are read. Or if space permits the Officers may be seated in the triangle shown in Diagram 2 from the beginning of the ceremony.

The following may be omitted at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

I.O. Brethren of the Chapter, you behold those who have been elected or appointed to serve you for the next term. Do you promise faithfully to cooperate with them in their efforts to advance the interests of our Order?

ALL We do.

I.O. Do you promise to lay aside all petty jealousies and ambitions and work loyally and earnestly with them in performing whatever part of our common task may be assigned to you?

ALL We do.

I.O. Brother Councilors, you have heard the assurance of your brethren and their promises of loyal support within and without the Chapter. Do you in turn promise to labor zealously with them toward the accomplishment of the purposes which animate us all?

C.'s We do.

I.O. Do you promise to lay aside all petty distinctions of official position yet labor all the more earnestly to show your appreciation of the honor bestowed upon you?

C.'s We do.

I.O. Brother Councilors and brethren of this Chapter, on behalf of our Order, I accept these pledges of cooperation as a happy augury of the success which such mutual harmony and zeal assure. The common burden can be borne by neither Officers nor members alone. The most efficient Officers who could be chosen would be ineffective without the loyal help of the members and the most enthusiastic members would be powerless without intelligent and consecrated leadership. Without this faithful and efficient cooperation you cannot hope for and you would not deserve success.

I.O. Brother Installing Marshal, you will present the Master Councilor-elect for installation.

M.C.-elect moves to point J. I.Mar. moves X Z I J, standing on the M.C.-elect's left, faces East.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been elected Master Councilor of this Chapter for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., you have been elected to the honorable office of Master Councilor of this Chapter. I need not remind you that, as your title suggests, you are the leader of the body. You are not to be arrogant or dictatorial. Rather, you are to lead those who follow you gladly because you have proved your willingness to listen to counsel as well as give it. It is your duty to preside at all meetings and to perform all duties which naturally pertain to such an office or which may devolve upon you from time to time. Before taking this office, however, we must hear from you a public declaration. Are you ready to make this declaration?

M.C. I am.

I.O. * * * (3 raps)

All rise. At the Installing Officer's option, the pledges may be given at the Altar. If this option is used, I.O. moves X U O, faces West.

I.O. Then you will kneel on both knees…

M.C. kneels…

I.O. …and place both hands upon the Holy Bible.

…places hands as directed.

I.O. Do you promise to follow in the footsteps of Jacques DeMolay should service and duty demand it?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise, upon your honor as a DeMolay, that you will demand of each member clean living, high respect for parents and deference to womanhood?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will be just while deciding between one brother and another?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will obey the laws of your city, state and country and always deserve the reputation and character of a good citizen?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will endeavor to aid the members of this Chapter to a greater realization of their duties to our beloved country?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise to aid the distressed and weary and never permit a brother to go in need?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will at all times obey the Rules and Regulations of DeMolay International?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will never permit a meeting to close without a word of prayer for your mother, your father and your country's welfare?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will see that both degrees of this Order are conferred at least once during your term of office?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you promise that you will, to the best of your ability, provide for the observance of any Obligatory Days falling within your term of office?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Do you now declare that you will uphold the public school system and hold it to be a bulwark of our citizenship?

M.C. I do.

I.O. Then you will arise.

M.C. rises.

I.O. You will seal your promises by kissing the Holy Bible.

Done. If I.O. is at Altar, he moves O U X, faces West.

I.O. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct our Master Councilor to his station.

I.Mar. conducts M.C., moves J K V U, faces East. M.C. ascends dais, faces West and I.Mar. moves U Z X, faces West.

I.O. Brother Master Councilor, before you and about you are your brethren. Brethren and friends, before you is the Master Councilor.

I.O. leads applause.

I.O. * (rap)

All except I.O. and I.Mar. sit down.

I.O. Brother Installing Marshal, you will present the Senior Councilor-elect for installation.

I.Mar. moves X Z I J, faces East.

When I.O. names Officer(s) I.Mar. is to present for installation, Officer(s) named move to point J. When I.O. instructs I.Mar. to conduct Officer(s) to station, I.Mar. moves J K V T C E K, with Officer(s) accompanying him to Z X. I.Mar. returns to J standing always on the left of those being installed. When more than one Officer is being conducted: The Officer(s) follow single file behind the first; they remain standing until all are at stations, then sit down in unison.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been elected Senior Councilor for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., you have been elected by your brethren to the second highest office in their gift and it will be your duty to preside in the absence of the Master Councilor. It is necessary, therefore, that you be fully qualified to fill not only your own particular station, but also that of your immediate superior. Your station in the West is symbolic of the setting sun, and emblematic of the night which heralds the eternal day. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Senior Councilor to his station in the West, after which you will present the Junior Councilor-elect for installation.

Done.

S.C. sits down upon reaching his station.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been elected Junior Councilor for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., the office of Junior Councilor is one of dignity and honor. The members of this Chapter expressed their confidence in you when you were elected to this position. You are to cooperate heartily with the other two Councilors as prescribed by our ritual. Your capabilities and effectiveness will afford the best proof of your zeal and interest in this Chapter. Your station is in the South, symbolic of the meridian sun or the noon of life. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Junior Councilor to his station in the South, after which you will present the Deacons for installation.

Done.

J.C. sits down upon reaching his station.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been chosen Senior Deacon, and Brother ....., who has been chosen Junior Deacon for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., the office of Senior Deacon is one of the most important in the official line. In the interpretation of the work of the Order you have been assigned a role which is both arduous and honorable. Your selection for this rank is a compliment to your efficiency, and I trust that you will labor zealously to vindicate the wisdom of your selection. Brother ....., as Junior Deacon you will be the inner guard of the Chapter and will assist the Senior Deacon in the ceremony of initiation. I enjoin upon you the same devotion to the work of the Order which is the duty of all Officers of whatever rank or station. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Deacons to their respective stations, after which you will present the Stewards for installation.

Done.

S.D. and J.D. sit down in unison upon reaching their stations.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been chosen Senior Steward, and Brother ....., who has been chosen Junior Steward, for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brethren, your duties are suggested by your titles and as integral parts of our work they have a definite place. You are to assist the Deacons in conducting candidates through the ceremony of initiation. You will have many opportunities for effective service and your very rank teaches us that all service is honorable and worthy of faithful performance. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Stewards to their respective stations, after which you will present the Marshal and Sentinel for installation.

Done.

S.S, and J.S. sit down in unison upon reaching their stations.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been chosen Marshal and Brother ....., who has been chosen Sentinel for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., it will be your duty to conduct such processions as our rites prescribe, and to perform such other duties as may be enjoined upon you. Dignity and efficiency will lend effectiveness to the performance of your duties, which are by no means unimportant. Brother ....., you have been selected by the Master Councilor to act as Sentinel. Your station is at the outer door. Upon you devolves the duty of seeing that no one is admitted to the deliberations of the Chapter except such as are duly qualified. It is well to remember that you are the guardian of the temple. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Marshal and Sentinel to their respective stations, after which you will present the Chaplain for installation.

Done.

Mar. and Sen. sit down in unison upon reaching their station.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been chosen Chaplain for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., you have been selected for a very sacred and honorable office. As your title implies, you are to lead the Chapter in its devotions and I need not remind you that your conduct at all times should be scrupulously consonant with the dignity, the solemnity and the sanctity of those duties. The strictest decorum is necessary in all official stations, but yours is one particularly demanding such qualities as will vindicate the wisdom of your selection. Our devotions are not unmeaning forms, but the practice of duties constantly

inculcated in our teachings. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Chaplain to his station, after which you will present the Scribe and Standard Bearer for installation.

Done.

Ch. sits down upon reaching his station.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been chosen Scribe and Brother ....., who has been chosen Standard Bearer for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ....., you have been chosen to record the proceedings of the Chapter and I enjoin upon you the care, neatness and efficiency which make a secretary's work valuable to any order. The duties of your office are many and varied and are not confined to the meetings of the Chapter. We rely upon your fidelity at all times, that no confusion or dispute may arise in connection with the Chapter's routine business. Brother ....., as the title of your office implies you are to be the official custodian of the beloved emblem of our country's greatness. Patriotism is one of the cardinal virtues of our Order, and as the formal guardian of the flag you are to remind us of our duties as common sharers in the blessings won for us by all the sacrifices of those who have lived well and died gloriously in behalf of our country. The honor of that flag is soon to be committed to our hands and it is no light distinction which has been accorded you as its keeper. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Scribe and Standard Bearer to their respective stations after which you will present the Treasurer, Almoner and Orator for installation.

Done.

Sc. and S.B. sit down in unison upon reaching their stations.

I.Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brother ....., who has been elected Treasurer, Brother ....., who has been chosen Almoner and Brother ....., who has been chosen Orator for the ensuing term.

I.O. Brother ...., you have been elected to the stewardship of the finances of this Chapter and I enjoin upon you rigid fidelity in the discharge of that important trust. With propriety I urge you to the strictest carefulness that this Chapter may at all times know its financial status. Brother ...., it is your province to remind us, in the performance of your official duties as Almoner, that charity, not the ostentatious and unmeaning doling out of alms, but the charity which has been translated "brotherly love," is a virtue which all should practice. The cry of need is ever sounding in our ears and to it our ears must never be closed. Brother ....., you have been selected as the Orator of this Chapter. It is an office the importance of which cannot be overestimated. The interpretation of the lesson to be taught in the DeMolay Degree depends in a large measure on the manner in which the Orator makes his explanation of the fundamental significance of the teachings of our Order. No small measure of ability will be required to make your portion of the ritual impressive and your selection for this office is an automatic proof of the Master Councilor's confidence that you possess and will display that ability. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Treasurer, Almoner and Orator to their respective stations, after which you will present the Preceptors for installation.

Done.

Tr., Al and O. sit down in unison upon reaching their stations.

I. Mar. Brother Installing Officer, I take pleasure in presenting Brothers ....., who have been chosen Preceptors for the ensuing term.

I.O. My brothers, it is unnecessary for me to emphasize the importance of the duties you are to perform in exemplifying our ritual. Without entering into the details of your share of this work, I can consistently enjoin upon you the highest efficiency of which you are capable. Your very selection is an honor, for to you has been committed the most impressive feature of our ceremony of initiation. The impression you make upon the candidates who are presented to you will be an abiding one and in proportion to your effectiveness will that impression be what it is so earnestly desired to be. Brother Installing Marshal, you will conduct the Preceptors to their stations.

I.Mar. conducts Precs. J K V T C E V Z X. 1P moves Z X at first pass by his station. Others then move Z X in sequence. When all Precs. have reached their stations they sit down simultaneously.

I.O. Brother Installing Marshal, you will now proclaim the Officers of ..... Chapter, Order of DeMolay, duly and regularly installed.

I.Mar moves to point J, faces East, without kneeling, lays right hand on Bible and raises left hand (and baton if one is used.)

I.Mar. In the name and under the authority of DeMolay International, and by the direction of the Installing Officer, I declare the Officers of …... Chapter, Order of DeMolay, duly and regularly installed.

I.O. * (rap)

I.Mar. moves J K V Z X, faces West and sits down.

I.O. Brother Master Councilor, I now present you with the gavel of authority and enjoin upon you the duty of wielding it with dignity, impartiality and courtesy, never forgetting that, though you are temporarily the chief among your brethren, you have only emerged for a brief time from the ranks and to the ranks you will soon return.

I.O. hands gavel to new M.C. After M.C. has completed his acknowledgements, introductions, announcements, etc., he returns gavel to I.O.

I.O. Brethren and friends, before concluding our ceremonies, let us unite in prayer.

* * * (3 raps)

All stand.

I.O. Brother Installing Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer.

All lights except the candles and Altar spot are dimmed.

I.Ch. may use the following prayer or the Nine O'Clock Interpolation prayer, including the union response by the brethren.

I.Ch., conducted by I.Mar., moves X Z I J. I.Ch halts at point J. I.Mar. takes one step further, both face East. I.Ch. takes one step towards Altar; simultaneously I. Mar. takes one step backward away from the Altar. As I.Ch. and I.Mar. leave their stations, all Active DeMolays in the East and I.S.C. and I.J.C descend to the floor level.

I.O. Active DeMolays will kneel on left knee. All others will remain standing.

All Active DeMolays except I.Mar. kneel in unison as I.Ch. kneels.

I.Ch. Our Father in Heaven, wilt Thou bestow upon us, as we are about to leave this place, the benediction of Thy holy favor. Wilt Thou inspire in us all the high purposes we have heard here enjoined. Wilt thou bless all who are dedicated to the cause of virtue, of clean and manly living, of lives that honor thy great sacred name. Bless the cause in which we young men are laboring and may our Order become a power for good in this community and throughout our land. Amen.

ALL Amen. *(Unison response if Nine o'Clock Interpolation Prayer is used.)*

Active DeMolays rise as I.Ch. rises. I.Ch. takes one step backward away from Altar; simultaneously I.Mar. takes one step forward. Both face North. I.Ch. takes one step forward to I.Mar.'s side. I.Ch. conducted by I.Mar. moves J K V Z, I.Ch. crosses in front of I.Mar. and moves X, stands facing his station. I.Mar. moves Z X and simultaneously I.Ch. and I.Mar. face West. As I.Ch. and I.Mar. leave Altar, all Active DeMolays who were in the East and I.S.C. and I.J.C. return to daises. Lights raised to full.

I.O. Brother Installing Senior Deacon, you will attend at the Altar.

I.S.D. moves X Z T I J, faces East, kneels without touching the Altar, reverently and slowly closes the Bible, rises without touching the Altar, then proceeds to candle 1, extinguishes it, then extinguishes the others in order crossing between the Altar and East as he does so, then without kneeling removes school books, then moves J K V U, places school books on I.O.'s pedestal, then moves U Z X, faces West.

I.O. I now declare this Chapter closed.

* (rap)

The remainder of the ceremony is optional, at the Installing Team's discretion.

I.O. The Installing Team will now retire.

* * (2 raps)

Installing Team rises. I.O. moves X Z U T I J, faces East. As soon as I.O. turns in toward the triangle from the walking band, simultaneously I.S.C. and I.J.C. leave their stations and go their positions in the triangle. As soon as they turn in toward the triangle from the walking bands, simultaneously I.Mar., I.S.D., and I.Ch. leave their stations and go to their positions in the triangle, with I.Ch. following I.Mar. When all officers have reached their positions, they kneel for a moment of silent prayer.

I.O. Amen.

Officers rise. I.O. faces right, moves J I A. As soon as he reaches the walking band, simultaneously I.S.C. and I.J.C. face right, and move to the walking band and to point A. As soon as they reach the walking band, simultaneously I.Ch., I.Mar. and I.S.D. face right, and move to the walking band and point A.

APPENDIX

Pronouncing Glossary

abiding	ə-bī'dĭng. Lasting for a long time.
alms	älmz. Money or goods given to charity.
animate	ăn'ə-māt'. To fill with spirit.
arduous	är'jū-əs. Demanding great effort; difficult.
augury	ô'gyə-rē. A sign of something coming; an omen.
bespeak	bĭ-spēk'. To predict or give a sign of.
borne	bōrn. Carried, assigned, or taken, as in a responsibility.
bulwark	bŭl'wərk. Something serving as a defense or safeguard.
cardinal	kärd'nəl. Of high importance.
citadel	sĭt'ə-dəl. A stronghold or fortified place.
consecrate	kŏn'sĭ-krāt'. To dedicate solemnly to a service or goal.
consonant	kŏn'sə-nənt. Being in agreement or accord.
crises	krī' sēz. Unstable political or social conditions.
decorum	dĭ-kōr'əm. Appropriateness of behavior
deference	dĕf'ər-əns. Courteous respect.
devolve	dĭ-vŏlv'. To pass on or delegate.
doling	dōl' ĭng. Donating to charity.
enlightenment	ĕn-līt'n-mənt. A state of giving intellectual insight.
ensuing	ĕn-sū' ĭng. Following; taking place subsequently.
exemplify	ĭg-zĕm'plə-fī'. To illustrate by example.

fidelity	fĭ-dĕl'ĭ-tē , fī-dĕl'ĭ-tē. The quality or state of being faithful.
herald	hĕr'əld. To announce or proclaim.
inculcate	ĭn'kŭl- kāt' , ĭn-kŭl'kāt'. To impress upon the mind of another; to instill.
integral	ĭn-tĕg'rəl. Essential or necessary.
manifold	măn'ə-fōld'. Many and varied.
ostentatious	ŏs'tĕn-tā'shəs. Marked by unnecessary extravagance.
permeate	pûr'mē-āt'. To spread or flow throughout; to pervade.
perpetual	pər-pĕch'ū-əl. Lasting forever.
perpetuity	pûr'pĭ-tū'ĭ-tē. Time without end; eternity.
propriety	prə-prī'ĭ-tē. Appropriateness; quality of being proper.
repository	rĭ-pŏz'ĭ-tōr'ē. A safe place for storing things or concepts.
rites	rīts. Ceremonial acts; rituals.
sanctity	săngk'tĭ-tē. Something considered sacred.
scrupulously	skrū'pyə-ləs-lē’. Painstakingly exact; precise.
unswervingly	ŭn-swûr'vĭng-lē’. Constant or steady.
vindicate	vĭn'dĭ-kāt'. To justify or support a decision.
wield	wēld. To handle with skill and ease.
zealously	zĕl'əs-lē’. Enthusiastically; with fervor.