

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND  
BY-LAWS  
ARTICLE III – Of Duties Of Officers and Committees  
SECTION 312 Vacancies  
By Adding a New Section  
(Requires 2/3 Majority vote)**

**As Now Reads:**

**SECTION 312 VACANCIES**

- A. Should the office of General Grand Master be vacated by death, permanent disability, or other causes, the Deputy General Grand Master and the General Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, shall in the order named, be installed and succeed to the office vacated, along with its title and prerogatives. The question of permanent disability or other causes as herein used shall be determined by the Committee on Cryptic Jurisprudence.
- B. The General Grand Master, Deputy General Grand Master, and the General Grand Principal Conductor of the Work cannot resign.
- C. Resignations of other Elective and Appointive Grand Officers and members of any committee may be accepted by the General Grand Master and replacements named.

**Proposed to Read:**

**SECTION 312 VACANCIES**

- A. Unchanged

Added **B. If succession has occurred and 17 months or more remains in the Triennium, the General Grand Master holding the office will not be eligible for election to the Office of General Grand Master and will be considered a Past General Grand Master.**

Existing paragraph B. relettered to paragraph C.

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**Rationale:**

1. During the 17 months or more the newly installed General Grand Master, should have adequate time in which to implement any program he is desirous of bringing forward both for Foundation building and fund raising endeavors.

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ARTICLE VI – OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS  
SECTION 604 FEES AND PER CAPITA  
Paragraph B.**

(Requires 2/3 Majority vote)

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2. A penalty for filing the Annual Return late will encourage the Subordinate Councils to accomplish this task in a timelier manner.
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