

# **CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION TOOLKIT ADDENDUM**

*This ADDENDUM amends  
the CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION TOOLKIT  
dated 15 DECEMBER 2017 as follows:*

1. CENTENNIAL VOW OF RENEWAL, RE-DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT: Insert the *Centennial Vow of Renewal, Re-dedication, and Commitment* (also provided as Attachment 1 to this Addendum) to SECTION 5 as paragraph 5.9; SECTION 6 as paragraph 6.5; and SECTION 7, paragraph 7.7 as follows:

**CENTENNIAL VOW OF RENEWAL, RE-DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT**: The following ceremony shall be recited at least once in every National Sojourners Chapter and at Regional, Area, and National Events conducted during the Centennial Year. The ceremony should be conducted as a concluding event before the closing prayer, and the most senior Sojourner present (by National Honors, Rank of Office, or Tenure) should be afforded the honor of leading the ceremony.

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Dear Brethren and Fellow Americans,

In 1919, our Founding Fathers of the Order of National Sojourners challenged us to ensure Americanism and Patriotism would never die, and that Freedom would serve all peoples. For one hundred years, our membership has succeeded in preserving that concept and educated Americans and citizens of nations around the globe that Liberty is precious and worth Freedom's fight.

The 100th anniversary of National Sojourners affords us a unique opportunity to HONOR OUR PAST, CELEBRATE OUR PRESENT and EMBRACE OUR FUTURE. We Honor our Founders and their vision; we celebrate our current Order that they afforded us, and we embrace the opportunity to build for the future. We dedicate ourselves to use the strong foundation of the past and promise to build the Order for the Century ahead and those that follow us.

Accordingly, I invite every Sojourner present to join me in this Ceremony of Renewal, Re-dedication, and Commitment to lead the way forward for another hundred years. Let us take this opportunity to rededicate ourselves to continue the cause of Freedom and Liberty, to renew our Patriotism in America, and to strengthen our National Sojourners Chapters as a beacon for all to follow.

Join me and repeat after me this vow of renewal and rededication:

Say I, state your name in full \_\_\_\_\_, and repeat after me / promise and vow that I will love my country / strengthen its democracy, / support its constitution, / obey its laws, / respect its flag, / and defend it against all enemies. / I will do all in my power / to support all patriotic aims and activities in Masonry / to preserve our revolutionary constitutional heritage, / to develop true patriotism and Americanism throughout the nation, / and to teach young people what it means to be an American. / With the help of the Supreme Architect of the Universe, / I pledge with renewed vigor / to advance and promote / the interests of National Sojourners, / to serve my Chapter, / to strengthen and build its membership, / and to support the programs of our Order / with my talents and treasure / in preparation for its next century of service.

2. TOAST TO THE FLAG CLARIFICATION: SECTION 5, paragraph 5.8 regarding the Toast to the Flag Poster is further clarified as follows:

Each chapter is encouraged to make at least three framed Toast to the Flag poster presentations to Blue Lodges from which they draw members — more if possible. The Toast to the Flag Poster must be framed for presentation. While an online source is specified (by the way the mat that comes with the PICTURE-FRAMES-WAREHOUSE frame is to be

discarded as the poster will fill the entire frame), a standard black 16x20 frame from any craft store will work. The Toast to the Flag Posters will be available from the National HQ for a donation of \$10 (plus s+h) and mailed rolled in a tube. Several chapters have informed that the cost of the framed Toast to the Flag Poster will be donated by a chapter member who is also a member of the Blue Lodge to which the poster will be presented. Again, the idea is to make National Sojourners visible by contacting the Master of the Lodge and seeking permission to present the Toast to the Flag during the opening and the Lodge as well as the framed poster for permanent display in the Lodge social hall. After the meeting, also provides an opportunity to place literature in the Lodge social hall, answer questions about and Order and seek potential members. The Toast to the Flag Poster when displayed in the Lodge becomes a perpetual reminder of who the National Sojourners are, as well as, information for prospective new members to contact our national office. This effort is a worthwhile step for all chapters interested in growing their membership and securing the future of their chapter and its continued ability to be successful in “Proudly Serving the Cause of Patriotism!”

#### Attachment (1) – CENTENNIAL VOW OF RENEWAL, RE-DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT

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**National Sojourners****Vow of Renewal, Re-dedication, and Commitment**

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