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### **Lily of the Valley Ceremony**

HONORED QUEEN: Members and friends, we have assembled here to honor Daughters who have gone above and beyond the duties and responsibilities of Job's Daughters. They have dedicated their time and efforts to this organization and its growth. Although all Daughters are valued members of this organization, the Grand Bethel of Utah wishes to give special recognition to these devoted members. As Job's Daughters, our purpose is to be "the fairest in all the land," but it is easy to fall short of this goal. The Daughters who we will honor have always displayed faith, trust, responsibility, respect and love. For these reasons, we assemble here to confer the Lily of the Valley award.

*Recipients names are read. As the names are announced they gather on the west line facing east.*

HONORED QUEEN: Guide and Marshal you will escort the Daughters who are to receive the Lily of the Valley to the east line facing west.

*Guide and Marshal leave their stations, walk to the north and south marching lines, respectively, face east and lead the recipients to the altar line turning to the center. March to the altar and turn east, march to the east line and turn north and south respectively, stopping when all recipients are standing on the east line.*

GUIDE: I have the pleasure of presenting \_\_\_\_\_ who are entitled to receive the Lily of the Valley Award.

*The guide will be given the names prior to the announcement. Recipients nod as name is given. Guide and Marshal then cause the recipients to turn and face the Honored Queen.*

HONORED QUEEN: You have learned in Job's Daughters to live responsibly, morally and righteously. Throughout your years in this organization you have always been willing to extend a helping hand or give a world of praise. It is because of your contributions to our Order that you have been selected to receive this award.

JUNIOR PRINCESS: As Grand Bethel Junior Princess, I represent Jemima, the first daughter of Job, and symbolize the purity that is associated with the white dove. It is our hope that you have represented our Order with pure intentions at heart. We learn from Job's Daughters and the Lily of the Valley that "beauty beams from purity throughout the veil of humility." The flower I now give you is to remind you that your beauty has come from your humility.

*Descends dais and hands the recipients a lily of the valley.*

SENIOR PRINCESS: As Grand Bethel Senior Princess, I represent Job's second daughter, Kezia. As the urn of incense is symbolic of prayer, it is our prayer that you will continue to give our Order your love and devotion. While reviewing applications for this award, the achievements in your letters of recommendations stood out above others. To receive this award you needed to be nominated by daughters and adults. From this we learn that you have made an impact on the lives of many people in this Organization.

*Descends dais and hands the recipients the letters of recommendation.*

SENIOR PRINCESS: Once this ceremony is completed please take the time to look over these letters. A lot of thought and care went into each one.

HONORED QUEEN: As Grand Bethel Honored Queen, I represent Keren Happuch, the third daughter of Job. The horn of plenty is symbolic of Job's reward for his steadfastness to God when faced by adversity. I present you with the Lily of the Valley award as a symbol of the dedication and steadfastness you have shown to the International Order of Job's Daughters. May it continue to be your great joy to give our Organization your loyal support.

*Descends dais to present award and then returns to station.*

HONORED QUEEN: Guide and Marshal you will conduct these Daughters west of the altar.

*The daughters follow the Guide down the north marching line to the altar line, south to the altar turning west then south until all Daughters are on the west of the altar.*

HONORED QUEEN: Our Chaplain will lead us in Prayer. \*\*\*

*Musician plays Holy, Holy, Holy as Chaplain attends at the altar.*

CHAPLAIN: Dear Lord, we thank thee for these Daughters who have given our Order their loyalty and devotion. May we all continue to dedicate ourselves to the lessons taught by Job's Daughters. We ask in thy name. Amen.

*Musician plays appropriate music as Chaplain returns to her station. \**

HONORED QUEEN: Members and friends please join me in congratulating these Daughters on their achievement.

*Applause*

HONORED QUEEN: To the recipients of the Lily of the Valley award: receiving this reward does not signal the end of your devotion to Job's Daughters. Instead it should encourage you to continue your commitment to the ideals of this Order. We are certain that our members will enter the future with confidence knowing that you are there to walk beside them on their journey.

Guide and Marshal you will conduct these Daughters to the sidelines.

*Guide and Marshal march east to the altar line and then turn north and south, respectively, march to the sidelines with the Daughters following and then are seated. \**

Reason for change: (if necessary to Committee to understand unusual change)

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