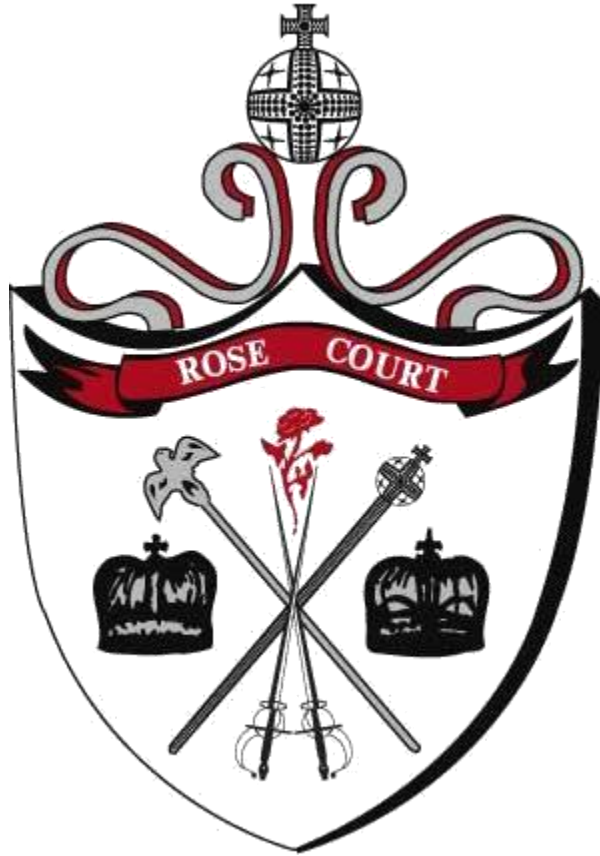


THE IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN ROSE COURT OPERATIONS MANUAL



This Manual contains the operations guidelines, rules, regulations, and other information for which the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon maintains and operates on a daily basis. This Manual is not meant to be exact, complete, or 100% of exactly how the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon operates, just for general knowledge and basics.

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I. Operation Manual

A. Established Definitions

1. Continuous Sustaining Membership: Continuous Sustaining Membership: is defined as Members who have paid in full for a one-year membership without lapse. Membership shall be determined to have lapsed, and therefore not continuous, if a member has not paid a full fee for the year and a full term has passed. Year is defined as October Coronation to October Coronation.
2. ISRC: The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon.
3. Quad-County: refers to the Oregon counties of Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah and Washington.
4. Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings: refers only to the 12 monthly Board of Directors meetings held typically on the first Monday of the month. It does not refer to or include any special, joint or emergency meetings of the ISRC including the extra Board of Directors meetings held in and around Campaign/Coronation in September and October.

B. Use of Operations Manual

1. Interpretation

- a. The Board of Directors has the power to exclusively interpret and adjudge any question or dispute that arises concerning the Operations Manual.

2. Alteration

- a. The Board of Directors has the exclusive power to alter the Operations Manual.
- b. Operation Manual amendments must be submitted to the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled monthly meeting and shall be voted upon by the Board of Directors at their next regularly scheduled monthly meeting
- c. Approved alterations shall take effect at the close of the meeting.
- d. Any changes made to the Operations Manual shall be published within 30 days via the ISRC website.
- e. An appendix of all changes made to the Operations Manual, including date of change, shall be kept as a part of the ISRC Operations Manual.
- f. No amendment or alteration to the Operations Manual shall conflict with the Bylaws of the ISRC and no part of the Operations Manual shall change the intent of documented traditions of the ISRC.

II Board of Directors

A. Board members job outlines

1. President

- a. The President shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws of the ISRC.
- b. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors.
- c. The President shall preserve order and decorum.
- d. The President shall appoint members to committees.
- e. The President shall co-sign all checks written on the general checking account.
- f. The President shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees.
- g. The President must have served at least one (1) year on the Board of Directors prior to being elected to the position of President.

B. Vice President

1. The Vice President shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws of the ISRC.

2. The Vice President shall assist the President as the President may direct.
3. The Vice President shall preside over the Board of Directors meetings in the absence of the President.
4. The Vice President shall be responsible for the publications and mailing of any and all news releases to the media and/or the community at large including newsletters, and the delivery of program and/or advertising copies to all contract advertisers upon request.
5. The Vice President shall co-sign all checks written on the general checking account in the absence or inability of the President.
6. The Vice President has the power to approve publicity (show flyers, posters, etc.) in-between board meetings.

C. Secretary

1. The Secretary shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws of the ISRC.
2. The Secretary shall record written minutes of the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors.
3. The Secretary shall record written minutes of any and all special meetings, including joint meetings with the Advisory Council at the direction of the President.
4. The Secretary shall consolidate all written minutes of all meetings into one monthly file.
5. The Secretary shall maintain proper files of the correspondence of the ISRC.
6. The Secretary shall maintain written record of the President's official activities at the President's direction.
7. The Secretary shall post minutes to the ISRC official website (www.rosecourt.org) within the timeline set forth in the bylaws.

D. Treasurer

1. The Treasurer shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws of the ISRC.
2. The Treasurer shall be a person capable of being bonded. The Treasurer shall maintain all financial accounts from which disbursements authorized by the Board of Directors are made.
3. The Treasurer shall deposit all monies received from every source in the general checking account immediately upon receipt.
4. The Treasurer shall sign all checks drawn on the general checking account, which checks shall be co-signed by the President or Vice President as set forth above.
5. The Treasurer shall maintain a written record of all income and expenditures.
6. The Treasurer shall make a detailed report of all income and expenditures to the Board of Directors at each of its regular meetings.
7. The Treasurer shall complete or assist in the completion of annual reports to the membership, the IRS and the State of Oregon.

E. Membership Secretary

1. The Membership Secretary shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws of the ISRC.
2. The Membership Secretary shall record and track the membership list of the ISRC.
3. The Membership Secretary shall maintain proper membership files of the ISRC, showing:
 - a. membership activation date (date paid in full) and expiration date
 - b. Membership address and additional contact information as made available
 - c. Known titles for the member

- d. Two year status of continuous or non-continuous membership for each member
4. The Membership Secretary shall make membership packs available by the next scheduled board meeting after receiving completed and paid in full membership application.
5. The Membership Secretary shall turn any membership dues or Patron of the Reign funds received over to the Treasurer by the next scheduled board meeting.
6. The Membership Secretary shall prepare a monthly membership report each month for Board of Directors review at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting.
7. At the October regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting (or earlier) the Membership Secretary shall propose the membership benefits for the coming year, including pin/card/sponsors and the membership form/flyer.

III Titled and Additional Offices

A. Rose Emperor and Empress

1. Eligibility and Qualifications
 - a. See ISRC Bylaws.
2. Application
 - a. See ISRC Bylaws.
3. Interviews
 - a. Upon approval, each candidate must take a number, at which time this will be considered the order of their interview and position on ballot. The postmark date will not be considered for the position of interview or position on ballot.
4. Disqualification
 - a. See ISRC Bylaws.
5. Campaign
 - a. No candidate or campaign manager shall reenter the place of voting after he/she has cast his/her vote until all candidates reconvene to seal the voting box.
 - b. In the event an Emperor and/or Empress candidate requests a recount of ballots, said candidate shall pay the costs, if any, to have the ballots recounted.
6. Absentee Voting
 - a. As outlined in the Bylaws all members of the Advisory Council and current Sustaining members have the right to absentee ballots. At each Board/Court meeting (between Announcement of Candidates & voting day), absentee applications and ballots will be accepted.
 - b. The voter will cast their vote, place it in an envelope, print and sign their name across the seal. A member of the Board of Directors will also sign the seal.
 - c. The envelope will then be given to the Board of Directors at the same meeting in which the ballot was given to the voter.
 - d. An alphabetical list of names will be printed and kept at the door the day of voting. When IDs are checked, the absentee ballot list will also be checked to prevent duplicate ballots; at the end of voting, this list will be placed in the ballot box.
 - e. If a person shows up to vote the day of voting and has submitted an absentee ballot, the person will not be allowed to vote.
7. Additional Duties and Responsibilities of the reigning Rose Emperor & Rose Empress
 - a. Be an active participant at the functions of the ISRC.

- b. Shall be allowed free admittance to all functions of the ISRC
 - c. The reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress are required to attend:
 - All Imperial Court System Coronations in Oregon, along with Vancouver B.C., San Francisco, and Seattle
 - Spring Ball
 - Imperial Prince and Princess Ball & Investitures
 - Portland Pageant
 - Oregon Pageant
 - Knight/Debutante Ball
 - 9 of 12 Board/Court Meetings (non-consecutive absences)
 - d. Shall raise sufficient funds during their reign to cover the cost of the reign.
 - e. Be public relations agents of the ISRC, always maintaining the best possible public image. At all times attempt to nurture and maintain the unity of the community which the ISRC represents.
 - f. Shall assist the Coronation Coordinator in the planning and production of Coronation.
 - g. Mentor other titleholders and assist in the production of events as necessary.
 - h. Hold at least one (1) separate function each during his/her reign, to be known as "The Reigning Emperor's Function" and "The Reigning Empress' Function".
 - i. All functions/shows shall have prior approval from the Board of Directors, with budgets to be set by the Board of Directors. All funds received from the function/show shall be processed through the ISRC.
 - j. Receipts shall be submitted to the Treasurer of the Board by the following Board of Directors meeting at latest or expenses may not be reimbursed.
 - k. Maintain continuous Quad-County residency for the length of their term.
 - l. Maintain Continuous Sustaining Membership for the length of their term.
 - m. Represent the ISRC at local and out-of-town functions.
 - n. Enter jointly at all official functions when possible.
 - o. At all times attempt to nurture and maintain the unity of the community which the ISRC represents.
 - p. Support all worthwhile efforts by community organizations and individuals, which are consistent with the purpose of the ISRC as set out in the Bylaws.
 - q. Shall follow their duties and responsibilities as outlined in the ISRC Bylaws.
- 8. Assumption of Office, Removal & Vacancy**
- a. See ISRC Bylaws.
- 9. Coronation**
- a. Coronation net proceeds shall benefit the ISRC General Fund with other allocations as directed by Proclamations, Bylaws and Traditions, and additional exceptions as approved by the Board of Directors.
 - b. The reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall be limited at Coronation to:
 - one command performance each
 - one joint command performance
 - one last walk each, not to exceed 15 minutes
 - one personal award each
 - one joint award

- one lifetime title investment each
 - other award presentations as approved by the Board of Directors
- c. The reigning Emperor and Empress shall each be permitted complimentary admission to their respective step-down ball.
 - d. he reigning Emperor and Empress shall appoint the Coronation Coordinator(s), subject to approval of the Board of Directors.
 - e. Crowning shall be officiated by the President of the Board of Directors with the assistance of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress who have most recently completed their reign and other Rose Emperors and Rose Empresses as necessary.
 - f. All Rose Emperors and Rose Empresses shall be presented on stage for crowning by name of reign, title and name.
 - g. All eligible decade and multi-decade (i.e. 10-year, 20-year, etc.) anniversary Rose Emperors and Rose Empresses shall be permitted complimentary general admission to the Coronation Ball at which their anniversary celebration will be held. If reserved seating is available and is requested, one seat may be reserved. If additional reserved seats are desired, payment must be made for those seats at the time of reservation or additional seats will not be reserved. Donations are encouraged and will be accepted.
- 10. Rose Emperor and Rose Empress specific items**
- a. Declarations
 - The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress are entitled to make one (1) joint declaration during their reign to last their term of office. The Declaration will be announced at Prince and Princess Ball and Investitures. The Board of Directors and the Advisory Council (in joint session) shall approve the Declaration before it is declared. The Emperor and Empress may submit subsequent declarations until one is approved by the Board of Directors and Advisory Council.
 - All approved declarations shall be added to this Operations Manual for historical preservation.
 - The Board of Directors shall be sole entity for the interpretation of the Declaration.

B. Imperial Prince and Princess Royale

1. Eligibility and Qualifications

- a. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale nominees must be residents of the Quad-County area.
- b. Candidates must be willing to become a Sustaining Member of the ISRC for their term of as Imperial Prince or Princess Royale. Winners must submit their membership application and dues at or before the Board of Directors meeting following the Investitures and Prince and Princess Ball.
- c. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale nominees must have been active in the ISRC preceding their nomination.
- d. All nominees must be at least 21 years of age.
- e. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale nominees must be financially, morally and socially responsible.
- f. Nominees may not have prior convictions of sex crimes against minors.

2. Nomination

- a. There is no application process for the titles of Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale.
 - b. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale candidates shall be nominated by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress. The nominees' names will be submitted to the Board of Directors at the Board of Directors meeting following Coronation for approval.
- 3. Eligibility Review**
- a. The members of the Advisory Council and the current titleholders of the ISRC have the right to attend and be present for the nomination process, but have no voting/approval privileges.
 - b. Nominees may be present during "careful discussion and consideration" of nominees for the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale.
- 4. Disqualification**
- a. The Board of Directors may disqualify any nominee who does not meet the qualifications as set out in this document or whom the board of Directors feel is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duties of the Imperial Prince or Princess Royale titles.
- 5. Campaign**
- a. There is no campaign process.
- 6. Selection Procedure**
- a. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale shall be selected by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress from the list of candidates approved by the Board of Directors.
- 7. Duties and Responsibilities of the Imperial Prince Royale & Imperial Princess Royale**
- a. Be an active participant at the functions of the ISRC.
 - b. Be responsible for paying their own admittance to all functions of the ISRC except Spring Ball and their respective step-down at the Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball & Investitures.
 - c. The reigning Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale are required to attend:
 - Portland Coronation
 - All Oregon Imperial Court System Prince & Princess Balls
 - Spring Ball
 - Hold at least one required function other than Spring Ball.
 - All Imperial Prince and Princess Ball & Investitures in Oregon
 - Portland Pageant
 - Oregon Pageant
 - Knight/Debutante Ball
 - 9 of 12 Board/Court Meetings (non-consecutive absences)
 - d. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale, The Gay Oregon titleholders, the Gay Portland titleholders, the Knight and Debutante shall all serve as members of the Advertising Committee as part of their title duties and responsibilities.
 - e. Act as public relations agents of the ISRC, always maintaining the best possible public image.
 - f. Assist in the production of the Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball & Investitures.
 - g. Be responsible jointly with the Gay Oregon's, Gay Portland's, and Knight and Debutante for the production of the After Voting show if the Monarch's stepping down have chosen to have one.
 - h. All functions and shows must have prior approval from the Board of Directors. All funds received from functions or shows shall be processed through the ISRC.

- i. Receipts shall be submitted to the Treasurer of the Board by the following Board of Directors meeting at latest or expenses may not be reimbursed.
 - j. Maintain continuous Quad-County residency for the length of their term.
 - k. Maintain Continuous Sustaining Membership for the length of their term.
 - l. Represent the ISRC at local and out-of-town functions.
 - m. Enter jointly at all official functions when possible.
 - n. At all times attempt to nurture and maintain the unity of the community that the ISRC represents.
 - o. Support all worthwhile efforts by community organizations and individuals, which are consistent with the purpose of the ISRC as set out in the Bylaws.
- 8. Assumption of Office, Removal & Vacancy**
- a. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale take office upon elevation at the Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball and Investitures and shall serve until the succeeding Imperial Prince and Princess Ball and Investitures, unless removed from office.
 - b. If the Prince or Princess fails to fulfill his or her responsibilities as outlined in this Operations Manual, or if his or her conduct seriously damages the ISRC, he or she shall be subject to disciplinary action or removal by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting.
 - c. If a titleholder misses three consecutive Board meeting or two major ISRC functions, the titleholder may have his or her title suspended for an amount of time to be determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
 - d. For incidents above and beyond those stated, the Board of Directors will take appropriate action.
 - e. In the event of the death, removal or resignation of the Imperial Prince Royale and/or Imperial Princess Royale, the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress may nominate a successor who may be chosen as established above, and who shall take office immediately upon approval by the Board of Directors.
- 9. Imperial Prince and Princess Ball and Investitures**
- a. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball and Investitures shall benefit the ISRC General Fund unless specifically approved otherwise by the Board of Directors.
 - b. At the Ball, the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale shall be limited to.
 - one requested performance each
 - one joint requested performance
 - one last walk each
 - one personal award presentation each
 - one joint award presentation
 - presentation of the Silas Battenberg Memorial Defender Award
 - presentation of the Rose Award
 - c. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale shall each be permitted complimentary admission to their respective step-down Ball.
 - d. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale & Investitures Coordinator shall be approved by the Board of Directors within six months of the titleholder's elevation into office, with input from the current Imperial Prince and Princess Royale.

- e. Crowning is to be officiated by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the ISRC.
 - f. All ISRC Princes and Princesses shall be presented on stage for crowning by name and title. Rose Emperors and Rose Empresses shall be presented on stage for crowning by name of reign, title and name. Primacy on the stage shall be to the Princes and Princesses.
 - g. All eligible decade and multi-decade (i.e., 10-year, 20-year, etc.) anniversary Imperial Princes Royale and Imperial Princesses Royale shall be permitted complimentary general admission to the Ball at which their anniversary celebration will be held. If reserved seating is available and is requested, standard costs, with no discount, shall apply. Donations are encouraged and will be accepted.
 - h. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale shall work jointly with the newly elected Rose Emperor and Rose Empress in the coordination of the joint Prince and Princess Ball and Investitures, usually held in or around the month of December.
- 10. Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale specific items**
- a. Spring Ball
 - The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale shall be the coordinators for the annual Spring Ball, held in or around the month of April.
 - Spring Ball shall be an ISRC net profit event.
 - b. Royale Usage
 - The use of Royale in the title of the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale is required on all official documents and shall be included as a part of the titleholder history.
 - Inclusion of Royale for announcement purposes such as court walks and introductions is left up to the individual Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale.

C. Oregon Titles

1. Eligibility and Qualifications

- a. Applicants must present valid, state-issued identification that shows proof of Oregon residency for a period of at least one year immediately preceding date of application.
- b. Applicants must be willing to become a Sustaining Member of the ISRC for their term of as a Gay Oregon titleholder. Winners must submit their membership application and dues at or before the Board of Directors meeting following the Gay Oregon Ball.
- c. Applicants shall submit an application fee, as determined by the Board of Directors, with their application. The fee may be non-refundable upon acceptance as a candidate for said position.
- d. All applicants must be at least 21 years of age.
- e. Applicants must be financially, morally and socially responsible.
- f. Applicants may not have prior convictions of sex crimes against minors.

2. Application

- a. All applicants shall complete and submit the application provided by the Board of Directors within the time prescribed.
- b. Upon approval, each candidate must take a number. This number will be considered their position on the judge's sheet. Postmark date will not be considered for the position of interview or position on judge's sheet.

3. Interviews

- a. All applicants will be interviewed by the Board of Directors in person, or through the use of audio/visual electronic resources that have been approved in advance.
 - b. The members of the ISRC Advisory Council, the current titleholders of the ISRC, past Gay Oregon titleholders and the reigning Monarchs of the Courts of Salem and Eugene have the right to attend and be present for the interview process. The ISRC Board of Directors and members of the ISRC Advisory Council have voting rights; the current ISRC titleholders, past Gay Oregon titleholders and Monarchs of Salem and Eugene have no voting/approval privileges.
 - c. Questions must be submitted to the Board of Directors prior to the start of interviews
 - d. Applicants will become contestants upon approval by the Board of Directors. Withdrawal from candidacy must be in writing to the Board of Directors and is irrevocable.
- 4. Disqualification**
- a. The Board of Directors may disqualify any applicant who does not meet the qualifications as set out in this document, or whom the Board of Directors feels is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duties of the Gay Oregon Titles.
- 5. Campaign**
- a. No campaigning is allowed for the Oregon Titles, as the Oregon Pageant is a judged competition.
 - b. After a successful interview for Oregon, applicants may announce their approval to compete through social media resources
- 6. Selection Procedure**
- a. The Gay Oregon titleholders shall be selected at a judged pageant. The Board of Directors shall oversee the procedure for the selection of the Gay Oregon titleholders.
 - b. Five judges and two alternates encompassing the entire State shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
 - c. Judging shall consist of five categories:
 - Personal interview on stage
 - Formal wear
 - Talent
 - Audience appeal
 - Poise and personality
 - d. Each category shall be worth twenty (20) points, with one (1) being low and twenty (20) being high.
 - e. Judges must select one winner for each Title based on judges' overall score sheets.
 - f. In the event of a tie, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for the resolution of said tie. The tie shall be broken by a majority vote of those board members present.
- 7. Duties and Responsibilities**
- a. Must be an active participant at the functions of the ISRC.
 - b. Be responsible for paying own admittance to all functions of the ISRC except for their respective step down at the Gay Oregon pageant.
 - c. The current Gay Oregon titleholders are required to attend:
 - All Imperial Court System Coronations in Oregon
 - All Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball & Investitures in Oregon

- Spring Ball
 - Portland Pageant
 - Oregon Pageant
 - Knight/Debutante Ball
 - 9 of 12 Board/Court Meetings at "home" court (non-consecutive absences)
- d. The Imperial Prince and Imperial Princess Royale, Gay Oregon's, Gay Portland's and Knight and Debutante shall all serve as members of the Advertising Committee as part of their title duties/responsibilities.
 - e. Act as a public relations agent of the ISRC, always maintaining the best possible public image.
 - f. Assist in the production of the Knight and Debutante Ball and the Gay Oregon Pageant.
 - g. Be responsible jointly with the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, Gay Portland's and Knight and Debutante for the production of the After Voting show, if the Monarch's stepping down have chosen to have one.
 - h. Hold at least one required fundraiser/function to be held in the State of Oregon. Net proceeds are to be split between the ISRC general fund and a charity in the host city.
 - i. All functions/shows must have prior approval from the Board of Directors with budgets to be set by the Board of Directors. All funds received from functions/shows must be processed through the ISRC.
 - j. Receipts shall be submitted for reimbursement to the Treasurer of the Board by the following Board of Directors meeting at latest or expenses may not be reimbursed.
 - k. Must maintain Continuous Sustaining Membership during their term of office, if they reside in the Quad-County area.
 - l. Must maintain Oregon residency for the length of their term.
 - m. Submit a list of possible judges for approval by the Board of Directors for judging at the Gay Oregon Pageant.
 - n. A representative of the ISRC Board of Directors may be sent to the Board of Directors of Salem and Eugene to facilitate the Oregon titles functions so there are no miscommunications between the Oregon Court Systems.
- 8. Assumption of Office, Removal & Vacancy**
- a. The Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon titleholders take office upon investment at the Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon Pageant and shall serve until the succeeding Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon Pageant, unless removed from office.
 - b. If any Oregon titleholder fails to fulfill his/her responsibilities as outlined in this Operations Manual, or if his/her conduct seriously damages the ISRC, he/she shall be subject to disciplinary action or removal by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting.
 - c. If a titleholder misses 3 consecutive board meetings or 2 major ISRC functions, the titleholder may have his/her title suspended for an amount of time to be determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
 - d. For incidents above and beyond those stated above, the Board of Directors will take appropriate steps of action.
 - e. In the event of death, removal or resignation, the title will remain vacant until the next pageant.

9. Gay Oregon Pageant

- a. The Oregon Pageant shall be a net profit charity function, to be held in June of each year, with the location to be approved by the Board of Directors.
- b. At the Pageant, the Gay Oregon titleholders shall be limited to:
 - one requested performance each
 - one joint requested performance
 - one last walk each not to exceed five (10) minutes
 - one production number incorporating the current Gay Oregon titleholders
 - one award presentation each, to be purchased by the titleholder
 - one joint award to be known as the "State" Award, engraved by the titleholders and presented by the titleholders if they so choose
- c. The Gay Oregon titleholders shall each be permitted complimentary admission to their respective step-down pageant.
- d. The Gay Oregon Pageant Coordinator must be approved by the Board of Directors within six (6) months of the Titleholders' elevation into office, with input from the current Gay Oregon titleholders.
- e. Crowning is to be officiated by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the ISRC. Salem's and Eugene's Monarchs, if present, shall be invited to assist in officiating.
- f. All Oregon titleholders shall be presented on stage for crowning by name and title. The Advisory Council shall be invited, as a whole, to witness the Crowning. This is done out of respect for the Advisory Council, but primacy on stage shall be to the Oregon titleholders.
- g. All eligible decade and multi-decade (i.e., 10-year, 20-year, etc.) anniversary Mr. Gay Oregon, Miss Gay Oregon and Ms. Gay Oregon titleholders shall be permitted complimentary general admission to the Pageant at which their anniversary celebration will be held. If reserved seating is available and is requested, standard costs, with no discount, shall apply. Donations are encouraged and will be accepted.

10. Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon specific items

- a. The current Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon titleholders shall be permitted to walk with the courts of Salem and/or Eugene at their respective Coronations subject to the approval of each court's Board of Directors. The current Mr., Miss, Ms. Gay Oregon Titleholders may only walk with one (1) Court at each coronation.

D. Portland Titles

1. Eligibility and Qualifications

- a. All applicants must present valid, state-issued identification that shows proof of Quad- County residency for a period of at least one year immediately preceding date of application for candidacy.
- b. Applicants must become a Sustaining Member of the ISRC for their term of as a Gay Portland titleholder. Winners must submit their membership application and dues at or before the Board of Directors meeting following the Gay Portland Pageant.
- c. Applicants shall submit an application fee, as determined by the Board of Directors, with their application and said fee may be non-refundable upon acceptance as a candidate for said position.
- d. All applicants must be at least 21 years of age.

- e. All applicants must have attended at least one (1) regularly scheduled monthly Board of Directors meetings within the last twelve (12) months prior to applying for this title. Written proof of attendance from meeting sign-in sheets, not hearsay, will be required.
- f. Applicants must be financially, morally and socially responsible.
- g. Applicants may not have prior convictions of sex crimes against minors.

2. Application

- a. All applicants shall complete and submit the application provided by the Board of Directors within the time prescribed.
- b. Upon approval each candidate must take a number. This number will be considered their position on ballot. Postmark date will not be considered for the order of interview or position on ballot.

3. Interviews

- a. All applicants shall be interviewed by the Board of Directors in person, or through the use of audio/visual electronic resources that have been approved in advance.
- b. The members of the Advisory Council, the current titleholders of the ISRC and past Gay Portland titleholders have the right to attend and be present for the interview process. The ISRC Board of Directors and members of the Advisory Council have voting rights; the current ISRC titleholders and past Gay Portland titleholders have no voting/approval privileges.
- c. Questions must be submitted to the Board of Directors prior to the start of interviews.
- d. Applicants shall become a candidate upon approval by the Board of Directors; Withdrawal from candidacy shall be in writing to the Board of Directors and is irrevocable.
- e. Applicant cannot be considered an official candidate until he/she is introduced at the Announcement of Candidates Show.

4. Disqualification

- a. The Board of Directors may disqualify any applicant who does not meet the qualifications as set out in this document, or whom the Board of Directors feels is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duty of the Gay Portland titles.

5. Campaign

- a. Campaign shall be limited to one (1) week prior to pageant.
- b. Each Candidate shall be allowed one (1) poster, not to exceed 24" x 36" in size. The
- c. following information must be on the poster:
 - the text "Presented by The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon"
 - The correct number (roman numerals) and title the candidate is running for
 - the correct date, time, location and admission cost for the pageant
 - the ISRC logo
 - clearly show the beneficiary of the event, such as "net proceeds to benefit" with the charity name or showing that the event benefits the ISRC
 - the text "Must be 21 years or older to vote the night of the pageant. Valid State of Oregon picture ID from the Quad-County area is required to vote; no other ID will be accepted."
 - all available contact resources including the ISRC website www.rosecourt.org
- d. Each candidate shall be allowed one (1) flyer design, not to exceed 8-1/2" x 11". The following information must be included on the flyer:

- the text “Presented by The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon”
 - the correct number (roman numerals) and title the candidate is running for
 - the correct date, time, location and admission cost for the pageant
 - the ISRC logo
 - clearly show the beneficiary of the event, such as “net proceeds to benefit” with the charity name or showing that the event benefits the ISRC
 - the text “Must be 21 years or older to vote the night of the pageant. Valid State of Oregon picture ID from the Quad-County area is required to vote; no other ID will be accepted.”
 - all available contact resources including the ISRC website www.rosecourt.org
- e. Shows, functions and campaign paraphernalia, i.e., buttons, T-shirts, matches, balloons, etc., are NOT allowed.
- f. Myspace, Facebook, Twitter and other like electronic promotion may be used by the candidates. Candidates are limited to their approved flyer design.

6. Selection Procedure

- a. The Gay Portland titleholders shall be selected at a voted pageant. The Board of Directors shall oversee the procedure for the selection of the Gay Portland titleholders.
- b. Voting shall be by secret ballot at the pageant by all those in attendance eligible to vote. All voters must be a minimum of twenty-one (21) years of age and residents of the Quad-County area with valid Quad-County picture identification except current Oregon titleholders, who must show valid Oregon ID. No other ID will be accepted.
- c. All titleholders (Knight & Debutantes, Gay Portland’s, Gay Oregon’s, Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, Rose Emperor and Rose Empress) of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court who have successfully completed their respective reigns, who no longer reside in the Quad-County area and who are in attendance at the Pageant, shall be permitted to cast a ballot for Mr. /Miss/Ms. Gay Portland.
- d. Voting procedures and tallying shall be set up by the Board of Directors.
- e. In the event of a tie, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for the resolution of said tie. The tie shall be broken by a majority vote of those board members present.

7. Duties and Responsibilities

- a. Must be an active participant at the functions of the ISRC.
- b. Be responsible for paying own admittance to all functions of the ISRC except for their respective step down at the annual Portland pageant.
- c. The current Gay Portland titleholders are required to attend:
- Portland Coronation
 - Spring Ball
 - Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball & Investitures
 - Portland Pageant
 - Oregon Pageant
 - Knight/Debutante Ball
 - 9 of 12 Board/Court Meetings (non-consecutive absences)

- d. The Imperial Prince and Princess Royale, Gay Oregon's, Gay Portland's and Knight and Debutante shall all serve as members of the Advertising Committee as part of their title duties/responsibilities
 - e. Act as a public relations agent of the ISRC, always maintaining the best possible public image.
 - f. Assist in the production of the Portland Pageant
 - g. Be responsible jointly with the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, Gay Oregon's and Knight and Debutante for the production of the After Voting show, if the Monarch's stepping down have chosen to have one.
 - h. Hold at least one required joint function, other than the Gay Portland Pageant.
 - i. All functions/shows shall have prior approval from the Board of Directors with budgets to be set by the Board of Directors. All funds received from functions/shows shall be processed through the ISRC.
 - j. Receipts shall be submitted for reimbursement to the Treasurer of the Board of Directors by the following Board of Directors meeting at the latest or expenses may not be reimbursed.
 - k. Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland titleholders must maintain Continuous Sustaining Membership during their term of office.
 - l. Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland titleholders must maintain Quad-County residency for the length of their term.
- 8. Assumption of Office, Removal & Vacancy**
- a. The Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland titleholders take office upon investment at the Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland pageant and shall serve until the succeeding Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland pageant, unless removed from office.
 - b. If a Gay Portland titleholder fails to fulfill his/her responsibilities as outlined in this Operations Manual, or if his/her conduct seriously damages the ISRC, he/she shall be subject to disciplinary action or removal by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting.
 - c. If a titleholder misses 3 consecutive board meetings or 2 major court functions, the titleholder may have his/her title suspended for an amount of time to be determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors. For incidents above and beyond those stated above, the Board of Directors will take appropriate action.
 - d. In the event of death, removal or resignation, the title shall remain vacant until the next pageant.
- 9. Gay Portland Pageant**
- a. The Portland Pageant shall be a net profit charity function to be held in August of each year, location to be approved by the Board of Directors.
 - b. At the Gay Portland Pageant, the Gay Portland titleholders shall be limited to:
 - one requested performance each
 - one last walk each not to exceed five (5) minutes
 - one production number incorporating the current Gay Portland titleholders
 - one award presentation each to be purchased by the titleholder
 - c. The Gay Portland titleholders shall each be permitted complimentary admission to their respective step-down pageant.

- d. The Portland Pageant Coordinator shall be approved by the Board of Directors within six (6) months of the titleholders' elevation into office with input from the current Gay Portland titleholders
- e. Crowning shall be officiated by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the ISRC.
- f. All Portland titleholders shall be presented on stage for crowning by name and title. The Advisory Council shall be invited, as a whole, to witness the Crowning. This is done out of respect for the Advisory Council, but primacy on stage shall be to the Portland titleholders.
- g. All eligible decade and multi-decade (i.e., 10-year, 20-year, etc.) anniversary Mr. Gay Portland, Miss Gay Portland and Ms. Gay Portland titleholders shall be permitted complimentary general admission to the Pageant at which their anniversary celebration will be held. If reserved seating is available and is requested, standard costs, with no discount, shall apply. Donations are encouraged and will be accepted

E. Knight and Debutante'

1. Eligibility and Qualifications

- a. All applicants must provide proof of Quad-County residency at the time of application for Knight or Debutante.
- b. Applicants must become a Sustaining Member of the ISRC for their term as Knight or Debutante. Winners must submit a membership application and dues at or before the Board of Directors meeting following the Knight and Debutante Ball.
- c. Applicants shall submit an application fee as determined by the Board of Directors with their title application the evening of the Ball. Said fee may be non-refundable upon acceptance as a candidate.
- d. All applicants must be at least 21 years of age
- e. Upon approval, each candidate must take a number. This number will be considered the order of their interview and position on the judging sheet.
- f. No person who has ever been publicly recognized with a permanent, appointed or elected title in any realm, including, but not limited to the ISRC, shall be eligible to run for the title of Knight or Debutante.
- g. Applicants must attest that they have no prior convictions of sex crimes against minors.

2. Application

- a. All applicants shall complete and submit the application provided by the Board of Directors within the time prescribed.

3. Orientation meeting

- a. All applicants shall be required to attend, prior to competing, a brief 15-30 minute orientation meeting on the night of the annual Knight and Debutante Ball.

4. Disqualification

- a. The Board of Directors may disqualify any applicant who does not meet the qualifications as set out in this document, or whom the Board of Directors feels is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duties of the Knight or Debutante.

5. Campaign

- a. There is no campaign for the positions of Knight or Debutante. No campaigning is allowed.

6. Selection Procedure

- a. The Knight and Debutante shall be selected at a judged ball. The Board of Directors shall oversee the procedure for selection of the Knight/Debutante.
- b. Three (3) judges and two (2) alternates shall be approved by the Board of Directors. Exceptions of up to two (2) additional judges may be granted by the Board of Directors.
- c. Judging shall consist of three (3) categories:
 - Poise / Appearance
 - Personal Interview
 - Audience Appeal
- d. Each category shall be worth ten (10) maximum points, with a score of one (1) being low and ten (10) being high.
- e. Judges must select one (1) winner for each title, based on judges' overall score sheets.
- f. In the event of a tie, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for the resolution of said tie. The tie shall be broken by a majority vote of those board members present.

7. Duties and Responsibilities

- a. Must be an active participant at the functions of the ISRC.
- b. Responsible for paying own admittance to all functions of the ISRC except for their respective step down at the Knight and Debutante pageant.
- c. The Debutante and Knight are required to attend.
 - Portland Coronation
 - Imperial Prince and Princess Ball & Investitures
 - Portland Pageant
 - Oregon Pageant
 - Knight/Debutante Ball
 - 9 of 12 BoardCourt Meetings (non-consecutive absences)
- d. The Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, Gay Oregon's, Gay Portland's and Knight and Debutante shall all serve as members of the Advertising Committee as part of their title duties/responsibilities.
- e. Act as a public relations agent of the ISRC, always maintaining the best possible public image.
- f. Assist the Oregon titleholders and Board of Directors in producing the annual Knight/Debutante Ball traditionally held in February.
- g. Be responsible jointly with the Imperial Prince and Princess Royale, Gay Oregon's and Gay Portland's for the production of the After Voting show, if the Monarch's stepping down have chosen to have one.
- h. Assist other titleholders in producing functions throughout the year.
- i. All functions/shows must have prior approval from the Board of Directors, with budgets to be set by the Board of Directors and funds received from the function/show must be processed through the ISRC.
- j. Receipts shall be submitted for reimbursement to the Treasurer of the Board of Directors by the following Board of Directors meeting at the latest or expenses may not be reimbursed.
- k. Knight and Debutante titleholders must maintain Quad-County residency for the length of their term.
- l. The Knight and Debutante are required to become Sustaining Members upon crowning and must maintain Continuous Sustaining Membership during their term of office.

- m. Submit a list of possible judges for approval by the Board of Directors for judging of the Knight/Debutante Ball.
 - n. The current Knight and Debutante are required to wear predominately white attire when representing their titles.
- 8. Assumption of Office, Removal & Vacancy**
- a. The Knight and Debutante take office upon investment at the annual Knight or Debutante Ball and shall serve until the succeeding Knight and Debutante Ball, unless removed from office.
 - b. If the Knight or Debutante fails to fulfill his/her responsibilities as outlined in this Operations Manual, or if his/her conduct seriously damages the ISRC, he/she shall be subject to disciplinary action or removal by majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting.
 - c. If a titleholder misses 3 consecutive board meetings or 2 major court functions, the titleholder may have his/her title suspended for an amount of time to be determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors. For incidents above and beyond those stated above, the Board of Directors will take appropriate action.
 - d. In the event of the death, removal or resignation of the Knight/ Debutante, the position will remain vacant until the next ball.
- 9. The Knight and Debutante Ball**
- a. The Knight and Debutante Ball shall benefit the ISRC General Fund unless the Board of Directors approves otherwise.
 - b. At the Ball, the Knight and Debutante shall be limited to:
 - one joint requested performance
 - one last walk each not to exceed five (5) minutes
 - one award presentation each, to be purchased by titleholder
 - c. The Knight and Debutante shall each be permitted complimentary admission to their respective step-down ball.
 - d. The Knight and Debutante Ball Coordinator shall be approved by the Board of Directors within six months of the titleholders' elevation into office with input from the current Knight and Debutante.
 - e. Crowning shall be officiated by the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the ISRC.
 - f. All ISRC Knight and Debutante titleholders shall be presented on stage for crowning by name and title. The Advisory Council shall be invited, as a whole, to witness the crowning. This is done out of respect for the Advisory Council, but primacy on stage shall be to the Knight and Debutante titleholders.
 - g. All eligible decade and multi-decade (i.e., 10-year, 20-year, etc.) anniversary Knights and Debutantes shall be permitted complimentary general admission to the Ball at which their anniversary celebration will be held. If reserved seating is available and is requested, standard costs, with no discount, shall apply. Donations are encouraged and will be accepted.
 - h. Eligibility requirements shall appear on all flyers, posters, etc. advertising the Knight/Debutante Ball.

IV Events

- A. After voting Show** - If this event is chosen to occur by the stepping down Monarch's

1. Production

- a. The Board of Directors shall determine if the After Voting Show is to be held prior to Announcement of Candidates for Emperor and Empress.
- b. The After Voting Show shall be the responsibility of the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, the current Oregon titleholders, current Portland titleholders and the current Knight and Debutante of the ISRC.
- c. The After Voting Show shall take place shortly following the closing of the ballot box on voting day for Rose Emperor and Rose Empress at a time and place approved by the Board of Directors.
- d. The After Voting Show is a net profit charity function.
- e. The After Voting Show shall have prior approval from the Board of Directors no later than the September regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, with budgets to be set by the Board of Directors.
- f. All funds received from functions/shows shall be processed through the ISRC.
- g. Receipts shall be submitted within seven (7) days of the function to the Board of Directors for reimbursement.

2. Performances

- a. When planning the show, organizers should aim for a short but fun and entertaining evening.
- b. The After Voting Show shall be a closed show.
- c. All Rose Emperor and Rose Empress candidates, the current Titleholders of the ISRC and Advisory Council Members have the right to perform. Priority shall be given to the Advisory Council Members.

B. Friends and Family show(s) Stepping down titleholders have the option to hold a Friends and Family Show the night prior to their step-down.

1. Production

- a. Friends and Family Shows will be free shows with no ISRC cover charges or suggested donations at the door.
- b. All performers shall keep their tips. There shall be no mandatory or implied requirement for performers to donate their tips.
- c. There shall be no limit on awards or certificates of appreciation given at Friends and Family Shows. All awards or certificates of appreciation are done at the titleholder's expense.
- d. If the titleholders so choose, they may have one (1) charity activity to benefit a charity of their choice, such as raffle, auction, etc.
- e. Any flyers or posters for the Friends and Family Show must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to distribution and must include the following information:
 - Date, time and location of show
 - No cover charge
 - List what one (1) type charity activity will be happening and who the proceeds shall benefit, if any
 - Step down Ball/Pageant information including: date, time, location, cover and Ball/Pageant beneficiary
 - The ISRC logo
 - Whether the event is a 21+ or not

- Must include the ISRC official website address www.rosecourt.org

V. Procedures

A. Yearly annual Meeting Procedures

1. The Annual Meeting

- a. The Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of March each year.
- b. The Board of Directors is responsible for all aspects of the meeting.
- c. State Law requires that notice be given to all members no later than 30 days prior or more than 60 days prior to the meeting. Meeting notice must include the date, time and place of the meeting, a summary of any proposed Bylaw Amendments and a list of any other items requiring a vote.
- d. The Annual Meeting shall be chaired by the President of the Board of Directors or their designee, and must include the election of the new Board of Directors At-Large members.
- e. Absentee voting is not allowed on Bylaw Amendment proposals.
- f. Absentee voting is allowed on Board of Directors at-Large positions for Sustaining Members and Advisory Council members. The documented absentee voting procedure must be followed.
- g. Bylaw Amendments require a majority of 2/3 of the eligible voting members present to pass.
- h. The activities and finances of the organization must be presented at the meeting.

2. Meeting Agenda

- a. Call to Order and open voting for At-Large members (including absentee ballots)
- b. Recess meeting until a later time
- c. Voting for At-Large members can continue
- d. Call back into session prior to the closing of the polls
- e. Polls close
- f. President's report to the Membership
- g. Treasurers detailed financial report
- h. Optional – Other Officer or Committee Reports
- i. Voting on any purposed Bylaw amendment submission
 - Each amendment requires a 2/3 vote in favor in order to pass. Members MUST be present to vote on Bylaw Amendments. There is no absentee amendment voting.
- j. Final agenda item is announcement of the new Board of Directors by the reigning Rose Emperor and Empress.
- k. Immediately following announcement, the Board shall adjourn.
- l. The new Board of Directors goes immediately into session, chaired by the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress. Their only agenda item is election of officers, followed by immediate adjournment.

B. Calling meetings

1. Board of Directors - Regular Meeting

- a. The 12 regularly scheduled monthly meetings of the Board of Directors are usually held on the first Monday of each month at a time and place set by the Board of Directors.
- b. Regular meetings do not require any special notice so long as their proposed date, time or locations do not change.

- c. The Bylaws specifically allow current titleholders to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.
 - d. The Board of Directors shall make known the date, time and location of the twelve (12) Monthly regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings.
 - e. Although not required by state law, all ISRC regularly scheduled monthly meetings shall be open to all membership classes.
- 2. Board of Directors – Executive Session**
- a. An Executive Session of the Board of Directors is a closed meeting held immediately following a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, typically due to sensitive subject matter.
 - b. Executive Sessions are restricted to only the Board of Directors, the members of the Advisory Council, the current title holders of the ISRC and Board of Directors invited guests. Current title holders may be excluded from executive session when the meeting is of sensitive nature, including but not limited to judge approval and disciplinary action, such exclusion would require a majority vote of the Board of Directors and advisory council present.
 - c. Executive Sessions of the Board of Directors are called at the discretion of the President of the Board and do not require advance notification.
- 3. Board of Directors - Special Meeting**
- a. Special Meetings are all meetings that are not the 12 regularly scheduled monthly Board of Directors Meetings.
 - b. Bylaws require at least seven days advance notice for a Special Meeting, with advance notice to Board Members including the specific major purpose being the only requirement.
- 4. Board of Directors e-Meeting**
- a. ISRC – Shall meet in person on a regular basis. When in person meetings are not possible ISRC shall have the right to conduct meetings through the use of electronic resources with proper notice of at least 7 days or under emergency circumstances
- 5. Advisory Council Meeting**
- a. The Advisory Council, as a separate membership class, may call meetings of its members for a number of purposes.
 - b. Advisory Council meetings are closed to its members and invited guests only.
 - c. The Advisory Council can be called to session 3 ways:
 - by the Reigning Monarchs, acting jointly
 - by The Board of Directors President for joint meetings
 - by written request of any three (3) Advisory Council members.
 - d. Notice requirements for Advisory Council meetings depend on the nature of the business:
 - for meetings where representatives to the Board are elected or removed a minimum of 30 and not more than 60 days’ notice shall be given
 - for meetings where disciplinary proceedings are being considered, 15 days’ notice shall be given
 - for all other meetings, 7 days’ notice shall be given if sent by first class mail
- 6. Board and Advisory Council - Joint Meeting**
- a. Any meeting requiring joint approval by the Board of Directors and the Advisory Council may only be called by the Board President.

- b. Joint meetings are required for:
 - Rose Emperor and Rose Empress candidate interviews
 - Review of Declarations
 - Disciplinary actions against the Rose Emperor or Rose Empress
 - Review of Permanent Titles
- c. Where a meeting of the Advisory Council has already been called and there is a desire to make it a joint meeting, the President, with the agreement of the conveners, may make it so. This requires appropriate notice be made to the attendees:
 - The Board of Directors
 - Current Titleholders
 - The Advisory Council

7. Board Appointed Committees

- a. The Board of Directors may appoint committees that are advisory to the Board of Directors.
- b. Board Committees may only contain Board members as committee members and must be approved by the Board of Directors. State law requires that if they are performing any function of the Board of Directors, the committee must be a Board Committee with the committee approved by a majority of the Board and all members being current Board Members.
- c. Board Committees have the right to make decisions and agreements on behalf of the Board of Directors.
- d. Board Committees must follow all notice and minutes requirements listed for Special Board meetings.
- e. No Board Committee may adopt, amend or repeal the Articles, Bylaws or any resolution by the Board of Directors.

8. Presidential Appointed Committees

- a. The President of the Board of Directors has the power to appoint members to committees.
- b. Presidential Committees are formed to allow non-Board members to assist in researching and making recommendations to the President.
- c. Presidential Committees serve at the pleasure of the President, and serve only to make recommendations to the President.
- d. The President may ask them to report directly to the Board, but they are not bound by any meeting requirements during their work.
- e. Presidential Committees cannot act on behalf of the Board of Directors or the Advisory Council.
- f. No Presidential Committee may adopt, amend or repeal the ISRC Articles, ISRC Bylaws, the ISRC Operations Manual or any resolution by the Board of Directors.

C. Money Handling

1. Processing show money

- a. A minimum of one member of the Board of Directors shall be responsible for collecting donations at the door.
- b. The aforementioned Board of Directors member and at least one (1) host or hostess or Board designated person of said function shall be responsible for verification of collected monies, shall assist in sealing said monies in an envelope and shall deliver the collected monies to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

- c. In the event the function's venue provides its own door person, the aforementioned Board
- d. Member shall be responsible for verification of said monies in an envelope and shall report and deliver the collected monies to the Treasurer as soon as possible.
- e. Money total amounts clearly showing the category of each dollar amount (Auction, Door, Donated tips, Raffle, etc...) shall be turned into the Treasurer with all monies.

2. Sustaining Membership Contributions

- a. Applications and funds shall first be given to the ISRC Board of Directors Treasurer.
- b. The Treasurer shall record the name and amount in the records and forward all of the application information, including amount paid, to the Membership Secretary by email or by turning over the actual form.
- c. Membership dues shall be credited to the General Fund.
- d. All Patron contributions are to be credited to the Travel Fund.

D. ISRC Website

1. Description

- a. The ISRC web site is to be used to promote all ISRC events & programs and allow easy access to ISRC records and applications.
- b. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for overseeing the ISRC web site.
- c. The Board of Directors will endeavor to keep the technology knowledge level low and the monthly maintenance requirements at a minimum so that future Board of Directors members will be able to continue the same level of service to the community.

2. Annual Maintenance

- a. The Board of Directors shall be responsible to perform the updates when needed to the:
 - Coronation event data page(s)
 - Reigning Monarchs page(s)
 - Reigning Imperial Prince & Princess Royale page(s)
 - Current Gay Oregon page(s)
 - Current Gay Portland page(s)
 - Current Knight and Debutante page(s)
 - Documents page(s)
 - Advertising page(s)
- b. Annual maintenance is, but not limited to, the changing of names, titles and updating with a new photo(s).
- c. It is the ultimate responsibility of the current titleholders to provide a photo for their page.
- d. The Board of Directors shall keep the rosecourt.org domain name owned by and registered to the ISRC.
- e. The Treasurer of the ISRC is to ensure all Internet fees and costs are paid in a timely fashion without interruption of service.

3. Monthly Updates and Maintenance

- a. The Secretary of the Board of Directors shall make the approved Minutes, and additional paperwork deemed necessary by the Board, available on the web site in PDF format in a timely manner.
- b. The Board of Directors shall have the power to perform additional monthly maintenance as needed or requested by the Board of Directors as a whole, such as, but not limited to,

correcting information, fixing spelling errors, fixing time and date information and adding other info as necessary.

4. Additional Updates & Changes

- a. New content (other than as described above) must be approved by the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled Board meeting before the content is made public.
- b. Any software used on the ISRC web site should be free/public-ware or wholly owned by the ISRC.

5. Passwords

- a. Upon election to the Board, a minimum of three (3) Board Members and/or assigned committee members shall have management ability and oversight on the ISRC website.
- b. The President of the Board & Secretary of the Board shall have full administrative access to the website & email lists.
- c. A copy of all administrative level passwords will be held in the Secretary's records.

6. E-Mail

- a. The Board of Directors email distribution list is for Board of Directors member use only.
- b. The Advisory Council email distribution list is for Advisory Council member use only.

E. Travel Fund - Originally created by proclamation of The Ecstasy of the Rose.

1. Funding

- a. The Travel Fund shall be seeded by all application fees received with Rose Emperor and Rose Empress candidate applications.
- b. 10% of the net profit of Coronation shall be allocated to the Travel Fund.
- c. Patron of the Reign membership contributions shall be allocated to the Travel Fund.
- d. Additional funds may be generated by any event which advertises that the event is to benefit the Emperor and Empress Travel Fund.

2. Funds Availability

- a. Travel funds shall be made available within 2 weeks of Coronation for reimbursement of travel by air, bus or train outside of Oregon and Washington.
- b. No travel funds shall be used for accommodations or transportation charges within Oregon or Washington, or mileage reimbursement.
- c. No travel funds may be spent for travel outside of the reign dates and may not be rolled over to future reigns.

3. Funds Disbursement

- a. The reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall equally share the Travel Fund.
- b. Receipts shall be required for reimbursement.
- c. All travel funds not expended by October 15 of each year shall be added into the ISRC General Fund.
- d. Reimbursement for approved travel expenses shall be made upon completion of travel for which reimbursement is being requested.

F. Guidelines for Event Programs

1. Event program profits.

- a. Profit from a net-profit charity event's souvenir program shall be given to the charity or
- b. charities chosen by the Titleholder(s) sponsoring the event after approval by the Board of Directors.

c. Profit from an ISRC net-profit event souvenir program shall be allocated to the general fund of the ISRC excluding the Coronation program, which will go to charity.

2. Page layout for each program shall be the following:

Event	Knight and Debutante Ball	Gay Portland Pageant	Gay Oregon Pageant	Prince and Princess Ball and Investitures	Coronation
Program Size (max)	8.5 x 5.5	8.5 x 5.5	8.5 x 5.5	8.5 x 5.5	8.5 x 11
Color or Black & White	Black & White	Black & White	Black & White	Black & White	Black & White with Color Cover
Personal step-down letter	1 page (photo and letter)	2 pages (photo and letter)	2 pages (photo and letter)	2 pages (photo and letter)	2 pages (photo and letter)
Order of the Evening	1 page	2 pages	2 pages	2 page	2 pages
Photos	1 page each	1 page each	1 page each	2 pages each	2 pages each
Titleholder family	Up to 2 pages	up to 2 pages	up to 2 pages	up to 2 pages	College of Monarchs
Acknowledgements	1 page	1 page	1 page	1 page	1 page
Letter from the E&E	None	None	None	1 page	None
Anniversary Celebrants	None	None	None	None	1 shared page for each anniversary
Candidates or Aspirants	None	None	None	None	1 page
Imperial Family for Life	None	None	None	None	1 page
Memorial	1 page	1 page	1 page	1 page	1 page
Investitures / P&P Ball advertisement	None	None	None	None	1 page
Lost income pages (including the pages above)	Up to 7 pages	Up to 10 pages	Up to 10 pages	Up to 10 pages	Up to 29 pages

VI. ISRC Issued Perpetual Awards

A. The Ray Snively Board of Directors Award

1. Description

a. A perpetual, but not necessarily annual, award which may be given out at Coronation by the President of the Board of Directors and/or the member(s) the Board of Directors.

2. History

a. This award is named in honor of its first recipient, Rose Emperor XIII Ray Snively. Ray Snively served with distinction and intense dedication on the ISRC Board of Directors for twenty years.

3. Qualifications

- a. The Ray Snively Award may be given to any member of the ISRC who has given continuous dedication to The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court for a minimum period of ten years.

4. Nomination

- a. Nomination for the Ray Snively Award shall take place at the annual interviews of Rose Emperor and Rose Empress applicants.

5. Voting

- a. Eligible voters shall be all members of the Advisory Council and all members of the Board of Directors, including the President.
- b. Voting shall be by secret ballot.
- c. Voters may opt not to select any nominee.
- d. Votes will be tabulated immediately by the President of the Board of Directors and one other member of the Board of Directors, chosen by the President.
- e. Once votes are tallied the President shall report that either “a recipient has been chosen,” “no recipient has been chosen,” or “there is a tie.”
- f. In the event of a tie, the aforementioned eligible voters shall re-vote in order to choose one recipient.
- g. Voting results will become public knowledge when and if the award is given at Coronation.

B. Silas Battenberg Memorial Defender Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual, but not necessarily annual, award which may be given out at the Investitures and Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball by the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale.

2. History

- a. This award is named in honor of Imperial Prince Royale XXVIII, Silas Battenberg.

3. Qualifications

- a. Silas Battenberg Memorial Defender Award can be given to any Prince or Princess of the ISRC who has given outstanding and dedicated support to the reigning Imperial Prince and/or Princess Royale.
- b. The Silas Battenberg Memorial Defender Award recipient is solely chosen by the reigning Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale.

C. Sanford Director Entertainer of the Year Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually, to be given out at the Harmony of the Rose Awards Dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. History

- a. Named in honor of Sanford “Sandy” Director. Sandy Director was named the Gay Mayor of Portland by Rose Emperor X, Gary Benoit following a long and active history in the Gay Community and the Rose Court.

3. Qualifications

- a. The Sanford Director Entertainer of the Year Award may be given to any member of the ISRC.
- b. The recipient must have shown outstanding entertainment skills.

- c. The Sanford Director Entertainer of the Year Award recipient is chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

D. Mama Bernice Humanitarian Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual, but not necessarily annual award, which is to be given out at the annual Harmony of the Rose Awards Dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. History

- a. Named in honor of Maria “Mama” Bernice, The Imperial Mother of the Rose Court.

3. Qualifications

- a. The Mama Bernice Humanitarian Award may be awarded to any person or organization that has shown outstanding commitment to the rights and history of the Oregon GLBT community.
- b. The Mama Bernice Humanitarian Award recipient is chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

E. Outstanding Court Member of the Year Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually, to be given out at the annual Harmony of the Rose Awards Dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. Qualifications

- a. The Outstanding Court Member of the Year Award may be given to any current member in good standing of the ISRC.
- b. The recipient must have shown outstanding commitment and dedication to the work and Mission of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court.
- c. The Outstanding Court Member of the Year Award recipient is chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

F. Bar of the Year Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually, to be given out at the annual Harmony of the Rose Awards Dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. Qualifications

- a. The Bar of the Year Award recipient is chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

G. The Passion of the Rose Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual, but not necessarily annual award, which is to be given out at the annual Harmony of the Rose Awards Dinner by the Rose Emperor XXIII, ShelleY and Rose Empress XLIV, Poison Marie Waters.

2. History

- a. This award was created by Rose Emperor XXIII, ShelleY and Rose Empress XLIV, Poison Marie Waters to allow the reigning Monarchs to recognize extraordinary support from another Monarch during their reign.

3. Qualifications

- a. The Passion of the Rose Award recipient is chosen solely by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

H. The Silver Legacy Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award but not necessarily annual award bestowed annually at the annual Harmony of the Rose awards dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. History

- a. Established by Rose Empress 38 in 1996.

3. Qualifications

- a. The Silver Legacy Award is given to a Court Member who exemplifies the fund raising component of the Court through their activities and/or ideas.

I. The Fire of the Rose “Keep it Fresh” Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually at the Harmony of the Rose awards dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. History

- a. Established by Rose Emperor XXXVIII, Athens Scities Foxx and Rose Empress LIII, Monica Boulevard.

3. Qualifications

- a. This award is given to a Court Member who exemplifies the “Keep It Fresh” slogan and is a positive member of the Court.

J. The Allure of the Rose Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually at the annual Harmony of the Rose awards dinner by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

2. History

- a. Established Rose Emperor XXXIX, Gina Valdez Kennaday Smith Rose Empress LIV, The Sassy Cassie Nova

3. Qualifications

- a. This award is given to a Titleholder who provided exemplary service to the Monarchs during their reign. Recipient is selected by the reigning Monarchs and bestowed by the Allure of the Rose.

K. The most regal Emperor and Empress award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award given out at Victory Brunch by Rose Empress LV Vanessa Vail Peters Lake or designate

2. History

- a. Established by Rose Empress LV Vanessa Vail Peters Lake

3. Qualifications

- a. Recognizing a reigning Emperor or Empress that is in attendance at Portland's Coronation.

L. The Evolution of the Rose Evolutionary Teamwork Award

1. Description

- a. A perpetual award bestowed annually by the Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.
- 2. History
 - a. Established by Rose Emperor Richard Rochelle and Rose Empress Vivica V. Valentine
- 3. Qualifications
 - a. This award is given to two court members that exemplify loyalty and teamwork.

M. The Glamour and Obsession of the Rose Court of Prestige Award

- 1. Description
 - a. Needs a description
- 2. History
 - a. Established by Rose Emperor XLI Bill Spencer and Rose Empress LVIII Summer Lynne Seasons
- 3. Qualifications
 - a. Needs a description

N. The Imperial Prince & Princess Royale Spirit of the Crown Prince Roc Award

- 1. Description
 - a. A perpetual award given out at the Imperial Prince and Princess Ball by the reigning Prince and Princess
- 2. History
 - a. Created by T.I.H. Imperial Prince Royale XLII Dr. Chance de Valmont and Imperial Princess Royale XLVII Char MacPherson Star
- 3. Qualifications
 - a. The Spirit of Crown Prince Roc Award is given to an individual after years of service, that keeps our organization larger than life, not only a presence but a mover and a shaker in the community through performance and activism.

VIII Traditions of the ISRC

This section will serve as a listing of the many long-standing traditions adopted by the ISRC

A. Crowning ceremony on-stage rights for the Advisory Council

- 1. The Advisory Council members present at the function shall be called on stage as shown below:
 - a. Coronation - the Advisory Council members shall be called to the stage by the name of their reign, their title and their individual names.
 - b. Imperial Prince and Princess Ball - the Advisory Council members shall be called to the stage by the name of their reign, their title and their individual names.
 - c. Gay Oregon Pageant - the Advisory Council may be acknowledged but shall not be invited on stage.
 - d. Gay Portland Pageant - the Advisory Council may be acknowledged but shall not be invited on stage.
 - e. Debutante and Knight Ball - the Advisory Council may be acknowledged but shall not be invited on stage.

B. Traditional Event Dates

- 1. Coronation is held on or around the third weekend of October.
- 2. Investitures and Imperial Prince and Princess Royale Ball is held on or around the first week of December.
- 3. The Knight and Debutante Ball is held on or around the first week of February.

4. Closet Ball is held on or around the third week of March.
5. The Spring Ball is held on or around the first week of April.
6. The Gay Oregon Pageant is held on or around the third week of June.
7. The Gay Portland Pageant is held on or around the third week of August.

C. Court Walk Protocol

1. Order of placement for protocol walks:
 - a. Untitled current Sustaining Members (alphabetically)
 - b. Camp titles & invested titles (alphabetically)
 - c. All Knights and Debutantes present (numerically, including current)
 - d. All Gay Portland's present (numerically, including current)
 - e. All Gay Oregon's present (numerically, including current)
 - f. The Princes and Princesses of the ISRC (numerically)
 - g. The current Board of Directors
 - h. Lifetime Invested Titles (in order of investment)
 - i. The reigning Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale
 - j. The Monarchs of the ISRC (numerically by Reigns)
 - k. The Reigning Monarch(s) of the ISRC
 - l. When an ISRC Monarch reign is introduced for a Court walk, it shall consist of the name of the reign followed by the names of the Monarchs only

D. Travel Fund – By Proclamation of The Ecstasy of the Rose

1. All Rose Emperor and Rose Empress candidate application fees and 10% of the profits from Coronation shall be set aside for a travel fund to be used by the newly elected Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

E. Proclamations Alteration and Termination

1. Proclamations may only be altered or overturned by the originator(s) of the Proclamation.

F. Rose Empress and Rose Emperor Regalia

1. The Rose Empress Crown shall not change in form or style. (Proclamation by The Faith of the Rose.)
2. Rose Emperors shall not wear or be invested with a head Crown. Determined by triple vote of the Advisory Council.

G. Investitures Rose Pin Ceremony

1. Introduction of the Reigning Monarchs
2. Announcement of the First Gentlemen and First Lady
3. Introduction of College of Monarchs present in protocol order
4. Presentation of the new rose pin by the Reigning Monarchs.
5. The Monarchs of the most recent successfully completed reign shall present the rose pin shadow box to the Reigning Monarchs for inclusion of their rose pin.
6. Exit of College of Monarchs present on stage, in reverse protocol order

H. Flag Ceremony at ISRC pageants and Balls

1. The "Imperial Family of titleholders" shall carry the flags for the following Ball/Pageants:
 - a. Knight and Debutante Ball
 - b. Gay Oregon Pageant
 - c. Gay Portland Pageant
 - d. Investitures/Imperial Prince and Princess Ball

e. Coronation

I. Coronation per Ticket Donation

1. Two Dollars (\$2.00) from each ticket sale from Coronation shall benefit a 501(c) 3 nonprofit charitable organization. The choice of charity shall be made by the reigning Rose Emperor & Rose Empress. (Proclamation by The Faith of the Rose.)
2. The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall receive complementary admission to their step down and are allowed one (1) additional complementary admission for a guest.

J. Celebration of Life Tradition – Submitted by Rose Empress XXXI Cicely and the traditions committee

1. The name and photo of the Deceased Monarch(s) will appear in the ISRC Coronation program immediately following their demise
2. The name and photo of the deceased Monarch(s) will be displayed at the ISRC Coronation immediately following their demise. The display will include a bouquet of roses and the “Celebration of Life” court banner. The display will not include a crown or crown pin
3. The Celebration of Life court banner will consist of the ISRC crest on a black background. The banner will be the same regulation size of the Monarch banner. The banner shall be the property of the ISRC and shall be placed in the court storage to be used only in the celebration of life ceremony
4. This tradition as cited above shall be reserved exclusively for the passing Monarchs of the ISRC

K. Delegates to the Board

1. From the ACE/ICE members voted to serve on the ISRC board of directors, the President, when the new board is seated, shall appoint one of them to serve as the facilitator of the Celebration of Life activities
2. As the facilitator, it shall be his/her responsibility to contact the family, spouse or delegate person to confirm the demise. After receiving confirmation, the facilitator shall advise the ISRC Monarchs by telephone of the passing of the Monarch. The facilitator and the President of the board shall jointly submit a press release to the media
3. As needed and if necessary, the facilitator shall work with the family, spouse or delegated person to carry out the wishes of the family, spouse or delegated person

VIII. Proclamations by the Monarchs of the ISRC

The Protectress of the Rose – Rose Empress XIII The Vanessa

No Proclamation Ever Issued by the Monarch

The Genesis of the Rose – Rose Empress XIV Tracey St. James

LET IT BE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE REALM; Regent Rose Empress XIII The Vanessa shall now and forever be recognized as Rose Empress XIII. (Thus removing “Regent” from her title)

The Happiness of the Rose – Rose Empress XV Darcelle

LET IT BE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE REALM; From this day hence, no individual subject shall bear the title of Ambassador. All such single designations are herewith considered spurious and without merit. FURTHER I PROCLAIM; All loyal subjects of the Inland Empire shall enjoy the honor of service of Ambassadors of the Courts of the Rose, where ever they may travel – November 18, 1973

The Love of the Rose – Rose Empress XVI Doni Lame

LET IT BE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE REALM; I, Doni Lame, Rose Empress XVI, by the power given to me by the people of the Inland Empire of Oregon, do hereby request the cooperation, understanding and assistance of the people of Portland to form a committee of five loyal subjects of the City of Roses.

I Hereby Request;

Darr Phelps Bobby Hoblit

Kim Chidester Steve Suss

Greer North

to serve as council advisers to the office of Rose Emperor, who from this day forward shall be elected to reign jointly and equally alongside the Rose Empress. Beginning one year from today with the Eighteenth Rose Empress.

The Lustre of the Rose – Rose Empress XVII Elsa Daniels

LET IT BE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE REALM; from this day, October 19, 1975 forward; that I Elsa Daniel, the 17th Rose Empress of the Inland Empire, do hereby proclaim that any candidate seeking the office of Rose Emperor, Rose Empress, Crown Prince Royal or Crown Princess Royal of the Inland Empire, shall conduct their campaigns according to the rules already laid down by the existing charters; with one exception. That from this day forward candidates’ campaigns will continue through the duration of balloting.

From this day, October 19, 1975 forward; Let it be known that my successors shall be free to perform their individual trips from their year. That they shall be known over all as His Imperial Majesty Rose Emperor One and Her Imperial Majesty Rose Empress Eighteen of the Imperial Rose of the Inland Empire.

From this day, October 19, 1975 forward; Let it be known that I, Elsa Daniels, the 17th Rose Empress of the Inland Empire, do hereby proclaim Bill Elders the last Imperial Prince Consort of this Empire; and that from this day forward the title of Imperial Prince Consort be stricken from this the Inland Empire.

The Lumberjack Court & The Music of the Rose

Rose Emperor I Kim Chidester & Rose Empress XVIII Mona Greer

Let it hereby be proclaimed; The Imperial Court colors of the Inland Empire will be RED, WHITE, and SILVER. Not to be used by any past or reigning Rose Monarch. In addition, we proclaim all colors chosen by Emperor or Empress shall not duplicate the colors of their predecessor. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; The scepters we now hold shall be recognized as the official symbols of the Emperor and Empress of the Inland Empire of Oregon. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; We raise and elevate the previous scepter of the Inland Empire of Oregon, to be the only scepter used to officially transfer the power of the Rose Empress of the Inland Empire to her successor. Let it further be proclaimed that the scepter that I now hold shall only be used on occasions of State. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; The Orb now before you shall be the symbol of the unity between the throne of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the Inland Empire of Oregon. It shall be guarded by the Creator and Guardian of the

Imperial Crown Jewels and brought forth only at the Coronation of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the Inland Empire of Oregon. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; Whereas certain controversies have arisen, that there is only one Regency within the Inland Empire of Oregon. That Regency we respect, recognize, and honor. Let it hereby be known that no other Regency or like organization will be self-established or created by anything less than the Emperor and Empress with the approval of A.C.E. and I.C.E. Councils of the Inland Empire of Oregon. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; I, Mona Greer, 18th Rose Empress of the Inland Empire of Oregon hereby elevates the Council of Prior Right to permanent members of the Imperial Rose Court.

Let it hereby be proclaimed; I, Kim Chidester, the First Rose Emperor of the Inland Empire of Oregon in conjunction with the aforementioned proclamation do hereby establish and proclaim that each Rose Emperor has the right to name only one permanent position on the Imperial Rose Court during his reign. October 17, 1976

Let it hereby be proclaimed; I, Kim Chidester, hereby name and elevate Mr. Richard Becker as a permanent member of the Imperial Rose Court. I, Mona Greer, hereby name and elevate Colleen, First Lady-In-Waiting to Her Imperial Majesty, as a permanent member of the Imperial Rose Court.

Let it hereby be proclaimed; Whereas the fulfillment of the position of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress is total and complete, be it decreed that no person that has born the title of Emperor and Empress of any realm will stand for re-election within the jurisdiction of the Inland Empire of Oregon.

Let it hereby be proclaimed; Henceforth and Hereafter, the first runner-up for Emperor will be Crown Prince Royale. Henceforth and Hereafter, the first runner-up for Empress will be Crown Princess Royale. These proclamations effective immediately, to be implemented on October 17, 1976.

The Lumberjack Court – Rose Emperor I Kim Chidester

Whereas I, Rose Emperor I Kim Chidester, have felt deal of love and affection for the office of Rose Emperor and Whereas, Rose Empress XVI Doni Lane proclaimed us into existence, we have found a special place in our hearts for Rose Empress Doni Lane. LET IT BE KNOWN; At all Coronations of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the Inland Empire of Oregon, Rose Empress XVI Doni Lane shall stand to the immediately left of the Rose Emperor during the Coronation Crowning Ceremonies.

October 17, 1976

Whereas I, Rose Emperor I Kim Chidester, have witnessed an A.C.E. Council in action for one year and have seen an active Council concerned with the office of the Rose Emperor; hereby decree that henceforth only five of the original members must be present to conduct official A.C.E. business.

October 17, 1976

The Music of the Rose – Rose Empress XVIII Mona Greer

Whereas I, Mona Greer, Rose Empress XVIII of the Inland Empire of Oregon decreed and created the position and title of Czar of the Inland Empire of Oregon and Whereas, the line of succession was firmly established by proclamation of our predecessor, it is hereby decreed that the position and title of Czar will never be used again with our jurisdiction.

Let it also be known; Whereas the line of our succession was firmly established by proclamation of our predecessor, it is hereby decreed that the position and title of Czarina will never be used again within our jurisdiction.

I now call forward the following people: Jerry Williams, J.P. and Tina Powers, and Victoria Schilling

By the power vested to me by the people of the Inland Empire of Oregon, I hereby proclaim and name you:

Jerry Williams – Imperial Grand Czarina Suprema of the Inland Empire

J.P. and Tina Powers – Imperial Czar and Czarina of the Inland Empire of Oregon

Victoria Schilling – Czarina Royale of the Inland Empire of Oregon

The Unity of the Rose – Rose Emperor II Harold Strong & Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr

In as much as the community of the Inland Empire of Oregon functions under a pyramid structure of authority, and as much as the Imperial Rose Court establishes the point of this pyramid with all other individuals and organizations functions under or within this structure, We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, recognizes this authority and do hereby proclaim:

That the term as "COURT" shall be used by one, and only one functioning body, that of the Imperial Rose Court of the Inland Empire of Oregon. All other established groups, within this Empire, shall maintain the status of organizations, councils, chapters, and so on.

Let it also be known and proclaimed throughout the land; that there shall be from this day forward one, and only one Coronation within this Empire, that of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the Imperial Rose Court of the Inland Empire of Oregon. All others shall be known as the installation of officers or a facsimile thereof.

Be it further known, that the right of proclamation and the use of the term thereof shall be exclusively that of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress of the Imperial Rose Court of the Inland Empire of Oregon. All such decrees, declarations, etc., handed down by an outgoing head of an organization and/or present head of an organization, shall pertain only to that organization and shall not be binding on the Imperial Rose Court.

In a strong effort to continue the unified efforts of our community to function as one; We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, proclaim it by our command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

Let it be known that We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr of the Inland Empire of Oregon, from this day forward do hereby establish a formal line of protocol for the Imperial Rose Court. The following format will be used for all entrances by the current Imperial Rose Court and all Imperial Rose Courts to follow; as proclaimed this seventeenth day of January, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

First to Enter; All persons wishing to enter with the Rose Court not bearing any given title from the Rose Court. All persons not complying with the wishes established by the current reigning court for the specific theme of the said given entrance.

Second to Enter; All persons in given title order, complying with the current reigning courts theme for said given entrance.

Third to Enter; All persons bearing the titles of Crown Prince and Princess Royale in succession of their reigning number complying with the theme of said given entrance. All Crown Princess Royale's without a reigning Crown Prince Royale may enter with an escort. All Crown Prince and Princess Royale's reigning together will enter together.

Fourth to Enter; The reigning Crown Prince and Princess Royale complying with the theme of said given entrance. If both are present, they will enter together.

Fifth to Enter; All persons bearing permanent titles of the Imperial Rose Court or Oregon and members of the A.C.E. not bearing the title of Rose Emperor, complying with said given entrance.

Sixth to Enter; All Rose Emperors and Rose Empress' in succession of their reigning number. All Rose Empress' without a Rose Emperor may and are encouraged to enter with an escort. All Rose Emperors and Rose Empresses reigning together will enter together, unless one is not present and then the other will enter alone. These individuals have strongly earned their given position in protocol, and because of their capacity held have also earned the right to enter in any form them deem suitable; as long as it is complimentary to the court. However, it is hoped by the Rose Court, who functions as one said given entrance as closely as possible to continue and build on the strong foundation we the people of our community have established.

Seventh to Enter; His Majesties First Gentleman and Her Majesties First Lady. Their duties consist of assisting the Emperor and Empress in any capacity necessary during said given entrance.

Eighth to Enter; The reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress. Both will enter together unless one is not present, then the other will enter alone.

We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, proclaim it by our command this seventeenth day of January, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

In as much as we are a growing community with growing needs and fears and desires to one day become free. We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr do hereby proclaim:

That one dollar from every ticket sold at our Coronations hereafter is given to a nonprofit charitable institution furthering the human rights of our community. This institution will be chosen by the current reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress as their outgoing gift to the community who served their needs so well.

It will be announced at every coronation hereafter and must be in agreement with the Councils of A.C.E. and I.C.E. "We Shall Overcome Someday".

We, Rose Emperor II Harold Strong and Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, proclaim it by our command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

The Unity of the Rose – Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr

In keeping with the pyramid structure established by our community, I, Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, do hereby proclaim;

That only individuals bearing the titles of Empress and/or Crown Princess Royale shall be allowed to wear a full crown and be recognized by the Empire to that end. All other titles shall be symbolized with the use of tiaras or other reasonable facsimiles thereof. These individuals have earned this recognition as given the people of the Inland Empire of Oregon.

I, Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, proclaim it by my command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

Our history has been established by time and established it shall remain. Each year has had its own cherished array of memories relating to the individual Rose Empress in office at that time. The memories of each of these individual years shall never be altered or changed henceforth. I, Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, do hereby proclaim forever;

That each Rose Empress shall bear one number and one number only, and the number from the year of their reign, and neither shall be altered from what we, the people, have established the past.

I, Rose Empress XIX Melody Starr, proclaim it by my command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

Whereby, anyone ever holding or having held the Office of Rose Empress would and should realize the value and importance of the system; and Whereby, we can only maintain existence thought functioning within and under the rule structure of the system; and Whereby, like the old additive says, "IF YOU CAN'T PLAY BY THE RULES BABY, THEN DON'T PLAY AT ALL," and Whereby with the full agreement of the Imperial Council of Emperesses, I do hereby proclaim:

Any Rose Empress ever found to deliberately slap another Rose Empress Sister in the face by directly breaking any said given proclamation known by all, will henceforth, be brought before a committee of five (5) I.C.E. members chosen at random, to determine the facts within the situation. If by a vote of at least three (3) of the five (5) committee members, she is in fact found guilty of breaking said given proclamation, she may be suspended from recognition by the Imperial Rose Court for a period of at least six (6) months or more with the possibility of indefinitely, of which we would hope all other Courts would follow our wishes for recognition. October 16, 1977

To insure current and correct knowledge of proclamation to date, and to insure reference in the future so that hopefully this will never happen again, I do hereby proclaim:

That the Imperial Proclamations Book be made and given to each Rose Empress already in existence and henceforth, be given to each Rose Empress at the end of her reign.

I, Rose Empress XIX Melody Star, proclaim it by my command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

Let it be heard and shouted throughout the land. There is a new organization and very well planned. I'm sure you know and have heard from a Starr, chapter are booming both near and far. So without further ado, I'd like to say, I proclaim the P.U.D. into existence, this very special day. The membership is easy. A drag you must be, except for Howard, isn't he sweet? Watch out people, we've only just begun. Portland United Drags, here we come! Mother of United Drags,

is what they now call me, MUS I, it's easy to see. MUD I, will soon become clear. Because I hereby proclaim each reigning Emperor' President for a Year. It's only in fun boys, so don't get upset. But who knows, you be the subject of the next picket! I, Rose Empress XIX, Melody Starr proclaim it by my command this sixteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. October 16, 1977

The Lion & Friendship of the Rose

Rose Emperor III Richard Calhoun and Rose Emperor IV Blaine Devers

& Rose Empress XX Candi Wrapper

No Proclamation Recorded

The Pride of the Rose – Rose Emperor V Frank Schreckenberger & Rose Empress XXI Allison Grey

We, Their Most Imperial Majesties, Rose Emperor V Frank Schreckenberger and Rose Empress XXI Allison Grey, do hereby proclaim that henceforth the Prince and Princess will be appointed by the reigning Monarchs.

We further hereby proclaim that the titles of Crown Prince Royale and Crown Princess Royale will be changed to Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale, and that they are to be crowned at Investitures not more than six (6) weeks following Coronation.

Proclaimed by our hand, this 27th Day of May, 1979

The Promise of the Rose – Rose Emperor VI Tom Terrific & Rose Empress XXII Stephanie Foxx

With the advice and consent of the Advisory Council of Emperors and the Imperial Council of Empresses; We, HMIM Rose Emperor VI Tom Terrific and HMIM Rose Empress XXII Stephanie Foxx, do hereby establish a BOARD OF DIRECTORS whose function will be to oversee and act upon the fiscal management and general business of the Rose Court. Each year this Board of Directors will be comprised of the following members: The Reigning Emperor and Empress, Two (2) Members of the Advisory Council of Emperors (A.C.E.) and the Imperial Council of Empresses (I.C.E.) to be chosen from their peers, and Three (3) At-Large Members voted by the community. The selection of Board Members will occur prior to the Spring Ball. To establish compliance with registering a nonprofit organization in the State of Oregon, we hereby register this Court as THE IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN ROSE COURT OF THE INLAND EMPIRE OF OREGON. November 9, 1980

The Gem of the Rose – Rose Emperor VII Joey McCathern & Rose Empress XXIII Trisha

No Proclamation Recorded

The Harmony of the Rose

Rose Emperor VIII Cal Hackler & Rose Empress XXIV Esther Hoffman Howard

No Proclamation Recorded

The Celebration of the Rose – Rose Emperor IX Larry Mott & Rose Empress XXV Champagne

No Proclamation Recorded

The Honesty of the Rose – Rose Emperor X Gary Benoit & Rose Empress XXVI Rosey Waters

Let it be Known from This Day Forward; Sanford Director shall be known as the Honorary Gay Mayor of Portland.

The Faith of the Rose

Rose Emperor XI Frank Lesick & Rose Empress XXVII Hurricane Olivia

Let it hereby be proclaimed; So long as the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court can purchase the style of the Rose Empress Crown from any source, it will be the only crown the Rose Empress of Portland can wear when being introduced as a Rose Empress of Portland.

The Ecstasy of the Rose – Rose Emperor XII Alan McGuire & Rose Empress XXVIII Dora Jar

Let it hereby be proclaimed; That \$2.00 from each ticket sale from Coronation shall benefit a 501(c) 3 Nonprofit Organization. The Choice of the Organization Charity shall be made by the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress.

Let it hereby be proclaimed; There shall be a Travel Fund set up to assist the reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress with out-of-town travel. Be it decreed, 20% of the profits from Coronation shall be set aside, along with any and all Emperor & Empress Application fees that the ISRC may or shall receive, for said Travel Fund. Funds shall be used to pay for commercial travel expenses to Coronations outside of the Pacific NW region, and can also be used to pay for hotel room costs for the reigning monarchs (either joint or separate rooms) occupied by the monarch(s) and their

spouse/significant-other and no other occupants. Travel Funds can also be used to pay for Coronation tickets for the reigning monarchs only. This fund shall be shared jointly between the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress, with any unused left in the account at the end of their reign rolled over for the use of the next reign. (Updated March 24, 2019)

Furthermore, We do proclaim that from this time forward there shall be no more proclamations. From this Day Forward; newly elected Rose Monarchs shall be allowed to make one (1) joint Declaration at the Investitures of their reign. This Declaration shall be valid (in-force) for their reign only with expiration at the conclusion of their reign.

The Legend of the Rose – Rose Emperor XIII Ray Snively & Rose Empress XXIX Lady Elaine Peacock

No Declaration Recorded

The Rapture of the Rose – Rose Emperor XIV Karen Gurl George Jar & Rose Empress XXX The Pearl

No Declaration Recorded

The Tradition of the Rose – Rose Emperor XV Mr. Lavender & Rose Empress XXXI Cicely

No Declaration Issued by the Monarchs

The Sincerity of the Rose – Rose Emperor XVI Mister Bill & Rose Empress XXXII Velvet Monet

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court states that membership of the Court shall be defined as those individuals who embrace the ideals of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court and the positions of leadership represented by the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress. Furthermore, it is a major responsibility of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress to assure that any and all activities and function of the Rose Court are visible and accessible to all individuals who desire to be part of the organization.

Therefore, The Sincerity of the Rose, Rose Emperor XVI Mr. Bill and Rose Empress XXXII Velvet Monet formally issue our joint declaration for this year:

Commencing with the January 1990 Board of Directors Meeting of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, ALL Board Meetings will be accessible to the public at large who wish to attend. Since public access to the ISRC Board Meetings is already stated in the Constitution and By-Laws, we are but reinforcing this written law.

Should the Board find it necessary at any time to discuss or to vote upon an issue or decision in private, they may collectively adjourn to Executive Session.

We feel that this Declaration will guide the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court and our community in a positive direction. Signed by our hand and heart this Ninth Day of December 1989

Their Most Imperial Majesties, Rose Emperor XVI Mr. Bill and Rose Empress XXXII Velvet Monet

The Destiny of the Rose – Rose Emperor XVII Ray Wilston & Rose Empress XXXIII Patti O’Dora

No Declaration Recorded

The Splendor of the Rose – Rose Emperor XVIII David Perry & Rose Empress XXXIV Tia

No Declaration Recorded

The Spirit of the Rose – Rose Emperor XIX Jim Ploeg & Rose Empress XXXV Michelle Craig

No Declaration Recorded

The Vision of the Rose – Rose Emperor XX Babalou & Rose Empress XXXVI Maria Peters Lake

No Declaration Recorded

The Integrity of the Rose – Rose Emperor XXI Scotty BoXX & Rose Empress XXXVII Eden Express

No Declaration Issued by the Monarchs

The Beauty of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXII Michael Norvell & Rose Empress XXXVIII Misha Rockafeller

Let it be Known Throughout the Realm; There shall be a Grand Duke and Grand Duchess of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, granted Imperial Family status and placed in protocol to immediately precede the reigning Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale in out-of-town Court entrances.

The Enchantment of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXIII Kimberlee Van Patten & Rose Empress XXXIX Stephanie DeVore

Let it be Known Throughout the Realm, We, the Enchantment of the Rose, Rose Emperor XXIII Kimberlee Van Patten and Rose Empress XXXIX Stephanie DeVore, in keeping with the traditions henceforth established and in

accordance with the privilege granted to us by the people of the City of Portland, and the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, hereby declare that:

Throughout the duration of the reign of the Enchantment of the Rose, all monies raise for the purpose of distribution to charities within our community, shall be withheld from distribution until such time as our annual Spring Ball is held in the month of April. At this time all monies raised will be presented to representatives of their designated charities.

In the event no representative is able to be in attendance to collect their funds, a check would be presented to them with the funds raised during the second half of the reign of the Enchantment of the Rose, which shall be presented at Coronation 1997 – An Enchanted Evening at the Haunted Castle, to be held October 25, 1997.

The Seduction of the Rose – Rose Emperor XXIV Barry Burns & Rose Empress XL Tonya Rose

No Declaration Recorded

The Imagination of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXV Norm Nevers Sugarbaker & Rose Empress XLI Krystel Belle Rose

Let it hereby be declared; All Reigning Titleholders, unless specifically denied, will be allowed to sit in on all interviews of applicants for any title. The titleholders in attendance for such interviews are not permitted to voice statements, opinions or questions and will have no vote to approve or deny an interview applicant. Their attendance is permitted to allow them to see the functions of the organization and what is expected.

The Mystery and Intrigue of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXVI Scott Heifer & Rose Empress XLII Amanda Carrington

Let it be Known, We, the Mystery & Intrigue of the Rose, the Treasure Moollenioom Emperor Rose Emperor XXVI Scott Heifer and the Millennium Faith Empress Rose Empress XLII Amanda Carrington, as it is our intention to increase the promotion of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court within the Quad-County Area and beyond, thus creating higher visibility and increased participation, in keeping with the traditions henceforth established and in accordance with the privileges granted to us by the people of the City of Portland and the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, hereby declare:

The Board of Directors shall establish a Physical Mailing list and an E-Mail list of all interested community members. The Board of Directors shall establish an Inner-City Advertisement Fund. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Publications Coordinator, E-Mail Coordinator, Webmaster, and Social Media Calendar Coordinator.

Let is be said, Let it be done. Signed by our hand this Fourth Day of December, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine. December 4, 1999

The Diversity of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXVII Andrew T. Foxx & Rose Empress XLIII The Lovely Suzanne

Let it be Known, We, Rose Emperor XXVII Andrew T. Foxx and Rose Empress XLIII The Lovely Suzanne do hereby declare that we will appoint a Beaver King I and Beaver Queen I (formerly known as Possum King and Queen) at the Investitures Ball on December 9, 2000. At the Out-of-Town Show, out of town guest will be eligible to run for the title of Beaver King and Queen II, and will be allowed to walk at Coronation with that title. Any Out-of-Town Guest, regardless of title, will be able to campaign prior to the end of the Out-of-Town Show. Winners will be determined by who raised the most money, which will be turned into the coordinator of the Beaver Pageant by the end of the evening. The winners will be announced at the Coronation Ball. Money raised will be given to an established Rose Court charity to be determined prior to the Beaver Pageant.

The Passion of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXVIII ShelleY Hutchinson & Rose Empress XLIV Poison Marie Waters

No Declaration Recorded

The Devotion of the Rose – Rose Emperor XXIX Josef A. Foxx & Rose Empress XLV Chloe Stone

Let it be Known, whereas we, Rose Emperor XXIX Josef A. Foxx and Rose Empress XLV Chloe Stone, have decreed the theme for Coronation 2003 “On The Town”, do hereby declare:

That throughout the reign of the Devotion of the Rose, all people of the Inland Empire are encouraged to enjoy and share with others the many sights and sounds of the beautiful City of Roses.

The Radiance of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXX Scoty DeVore Foxx & Rose Empress XLVI Lotta Marie Liquor

Let it be Known, We, Rose Emperor XXX Scoty DeVore Foxx and Rose Empress XLVI Lotta Marie Liquor, do hereby declare that all events of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court shall be FUN!

The Dedication of the Rose – Rose Emperor XXXI Gary Benoit

Let it be Known, I, Rose Emperor XXXI Gary Benoit, declare this reign will be known as “The Dedication of the Rose” honoring the incredible service given to our court and community by our beloved Rose Empresses.

GOD SAVE THE QUEENS!

The Heart & Determination of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXII Mark Hollywood & Rose Empress XLVII The Divine Alycia Day

No Declaration Recorded

The Inspiration of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXIII Don Hood & Rose Empress XLVIII Dawna Creation

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, on this day, the 9th of December in the year of 2006, let it be known to all points of the empire, and unlimited skies, that We, Rose Emperor XXXIII Don Hood and Rose Empress XLVIII Dawna Creation, the reigning Rose Monarchs of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court, do hereby declare that:

In this time of world strife, we will offer respite; In this time of need, we will bolster charity; In this time of change, we will encourage growth; In this time of conservatism, we will engender tolerance; In this time of elder statesmen, we will reach out to the next generation...But above all, We, The Inspiration of the Rose, do declare that this reign will be filled with High Spirits and Joy!

The Romance of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXIV Hollywood Foxx & Rose Empress XLIV Fiona Flash Foxx

Whereas the International Court System was established in the image of pomp and circumstance of old, and Whereas the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court has a rich history of glamour, style and grace, and Whereas each member of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court deserves the red-carpet treatment, Let it be Known throughout the Realm:

As it is with great history and tradition, every step with the Romance of the Rose is a Red-Carpet walk. From this Day Forward, all Courtiers shall dress in elegant fashion and every official Court entrance throughout the land will be worthy of Regal Hollywood and Paparazzi Flash. Celebrating the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court’s 50 Years of Community Service.

Let it be said, Let it be written, Let it be done by Imperial Command of the Romance of the Rose.

The Essence of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXV JL Thompson & Rose Empress L Krystal Lynn Benoit

Let it be Known Throughout the Realm; During the reign of the Essence of the Rose, all reigning Imperial Family members shall be on stage during the recognition and/or crowning of each new Imperial Family member. This shall apply to the titles of Imperial Princes & Princess Royale, the Gay Oregon titles, the Gay Portland titles, Knight and Debutante.

The Renaissance of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXVI Scott Seibert & Rose Empress LI Ciara Dela Rosa

No Declaration Recorded

The Embrace of the Rose – Rose Emperor XXXVII Chad Hammer

In keeping with the mission and spirit of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court (ISRC), I, His Most Imperial Majesty Rose Emperor XXXVII Chad Hammer, do hereby declare:

During the reign of the Embrace of the Rose all individuals associated with the Rose Court shall fully embrace community service.

Furthermore, I declare all members of the Rose Court shall recognize that we must work together as a unified body as we express a common vision of servitude to the community. In order to maintain an optimal spirit de corps as we enact our community service. The Embrace of the Rose requests all communication, proceeding and meetings of the ISRC

shall demonstrate civility, respect, professionalism and transparency. So it is written, So shall it be done, Known Throughout the Empire henceforth.

The Fire of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXVIII Athens Scities Foxx & Rose Empress LIII The Legendary Monica Boulevard

Let it be Known Throughout the Realm; That each member of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court will rise from the flames with a burning desire and passion for their community and beliefs with the Fire of the Rose.

Let it be Known; That with each encounter we make with the Fire of the Rose we “Keep it Fresh” with a grand and gracious posture that it will be remembered for all life time.

Let it be by our Imperial Command of The Fire of the Rose that the last Friday of the month throughout the year of the Fire of the Rose will be community involvement day to show our appreciation to all the city saloons in our realm.

Let it be by our Imperial Command of the Fire of the Rose; Their Imperial Majesty's will lead the people of the community and court in a positive cheer.

Let it be Known; That at each major event with the Fire of the Rose that we will have an “Angels Area” for our past loved ones and NO ONE shall sit forth at this table as it is in memory of the ones that have gone before us.

And from this Day Forward, Saturday December 10th, 2011; the Fire of the Rose will keep the warmth and kindness of our traditions, and welcome fresh new ideas with the Soaring Phoenix Emperor HMIM Rose Emperor XXXVIII and the Keep It Fresh Empress HMIM Rose Empress LIII The Legendary Monica Boulevard.

The Allure of the Rose

Rose Emperor XXXIX Gina Valdez Kennady Smith & Rose Empress LIV The Sassy Cassie Nova

Let it be Known Throughout the Realm; We, the Allure of the Rose, do declare the Reign of Fun, Excitement and Community Involvement.

Let it be Known that the Allure of the Rose is not an exclusive group. We have open arms and open hearts for our entire community.

We, The First Latino & Community Rose Emperor XXXIX Gina Valdez Kennady Smith and The Sparkling Rose Empress LIV The Sassy Cassie Nova, declare this to be true this 15th Day of December, 2013

The Brilliance of the Rose – Rose Empress LV Vanessa Vail Peters Lake

No Declaration Recorded

The Jubilee of the Rose – Rose Empress LVI The Lady Ambrosia Shock

No Declaration Recorded

The Evolution of the Rose

Rose Emperor XL Richard Rochelle & Rose Empress LVII Vivica Vail Valentine

Let it be Known Throughout All Empires, We, Rose Emperor XL Richard Rochelle and Rose Empress LVII Vivica Vail Valentine, do hereby declare the reign of the Evolution of the Rose to be “The Year of the Youth.”

While honoring the history and traditions currently in place, we will also welcome, honor and support ideas and creativity to make all feel welcomed and loved. Signed by our hands on this First day of December, Two-Thousand and Fifteen.

Rose Emperor XL Richard Rochelle & Rose Empress LVII Vivica V. Valentine

The Glamour & Obsession of the Rose

Rose Emperor XLI Bill Spencer & Rose Empress LVIII Summer Lynne Seasons

Let it be Known on this Day, December 11th, 2016; We, The Glamour and Obsession of the Rose, Rose Emperor XLI Bill Spencer and Rose Empress LVIII Summer Lynne Seasons, do hereby declare:

The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court will be known as an International Organization that will support and celebrate all members regardless of age or experience. Mutual respect between generations will be encouraged and the organization will be a welcoming place for both younger and older members.

The Diamond of the Rose – Rose Empress LIX Krista Boulevard

No Declaration Recorded

The Magnificence of the Rose

Rose Emperor XLII Daniel Surreal Foxx & Rose Empress LX Kimberly Michelle Westwood

Let it be known that we, the Magnificence of the Rose, Rose Emperor XLII Daniel Surreal Foxx and Rose Empress LX Kimberly Michelle Westwood, in keeping with the traditions henceforth established and in accordance with the authority granted to us by the People of the City of Portland and the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of the Inland Empire, decree:

Whereas; The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court having elected self-identifying males, females and members of the transgender community to fulfill all our titles for decades. And

Whereas; Having proven time and time again that to represent any title or do any job within the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon has everything to do with what's in your heart and nothing to do with gender. And

Whereas; The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court leads by example embracing our transgender, transitioning, non-binary and genderqueer community members. And

Whereas; The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court's mission is to create greater unity within our community.

We decree; that throughout the reign of the Magnificence of the Rose that gender will never define a person or title representing us. We encourage every individual to make your own choice defining who you are. The Rose Court will commit itself to treating every person on the basis of their intrinsic value as human beings. We embrace one another and urge all our citizens through your acts of kindness to embrace this declaration enhancing the Magnificence of the City of Roses.

So it is written, so it is said, so it is done. Because it pleases us to do so; and is the right thing to do.

Signed by our hand this Twenty-Fourth Day of November, Two-Thousand and Eighteen

IX. Forms Available on the ISRC Web Site www.rosecourt.org

- A.** Event proposal form
- B.** Bylaw Amendment Proposal Form
- C.** Membership Application (year-round)
- D.** Board of Directors application (during the period applications are being accepted)
- E.** E&E application (during the period applications are being accepted)
- F.** Gay Oregon application (during the period applications are being accepted)
- G.** Gay Portland application (during the period applications are being accepted)
- H.** Knight & Debutante application (during the period applications are being accepted)
- I.** Current By-Laws
- J.** Current Operations Manual
- K.** Additional applications and forms can be found online at <http://RoseCourt.org> under the documents tab

X. Appendix

- A.** Record of changes to ISRC Operations Manual
 - 1.** 11 July 2011 - Complete rewrite to bring the Operations Manual current and correct grammatical errors, incorrect items and make other housekeeping corrections.
 - 2.** 2 February 2012 – Update of changes to bring the Operations Manual current and correcting grammatical errors, incorrect items and make other housekeeping corrections.
 - 3.** 28 February 2013 - Update of changes to bring the Operations Manual current and correcting grammatical errors, incorrect items and make other housekeeping corrections.
 - 4.** 1 January 2015 - Update of changes to bring the Operations Manual current and correcting grammatical errors, incorrect items and make other housekeeping corrections.
 - 5.** 1st November, 2019 – Celebration of life protocol added, 7/2019 updates added, updated awards pages, updated declarations
 - 6.** February 2020 – White Knight title changed to Knight
 - 7.** Section V.B.4.a added wording to allow electronic meetings as needed or under emergency situations