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(Optional, for use at Installation)

(The Worshipful Master (or presiding officer) at the request of the newly installed Worthy Advisor, approaches the East, remains on the floor level and addresses the Crowning Team.)

MASTER:

The Members of the Crowning Team will take their respective Stations.

(When all have taken their positions, the Master addresses the Worthy Advisor. The Chaplain must remember to bring a Bible and places it on the Altar (closed) as the Officers assume their places BEHIND the Assembly's bow officers.)

MASTER:

Miss _____, we, Masonic members of _____ Lodge, # __, your friends, are here to crown you Worthy Advisor of _____ Assembly, # __. It is indeed an honor and pleasure to have been asked to perform this ceremony, for without Masons and Eastern Stars there would not be beautiful Rainbow Girls and without beautiful Rainbow Girls, we would miss a lot of sunshine. You passed through the Bow with its seven rays upon your Initiation, and again upon the Initiation of your Sisters, renewing your lessons and vows upon each occasion. I would ask you to join me now, so you may again pass through these seven Stations and recall the lessons and hear further words of admonition, keeping in mind that our fraternity bids you God speed and wishes for you a prosperous term as Worthy Advisor.

(Master conducts Worthy Advisor from the East to the 1st Station of the Bow. The Master stands behind each gentleman as he speaks; only the Worthy Advisor enters between the Altar and the Bow.)

1ST STATION (LOVE):

As Worthy Advisor of this Assembly, you have learned the lesson of the Station of Love. Therefore, may I say to you, "Love your neighbor and fellow man, and above all, love your God whose love is Supreme and will never leave you."

2ND STATION (RELIGION):

You have learned that God is Love. Religion teaches us that He will prevail. To be a leader in this Assembly and this World, we would ask that you heed the lessons of Religion and try to ever lead a life of righteousness and virtue.

3RD STATION (NATURE):

The station of Nature teaches that you should take time from your busy young life to spend in the great out-of-doors, for there you can better commune with God and see and learn of His wonderful creations.

4TH STATION (IMMORTALITY):

At this Station you are reminded that one is never too young to prepare for Immortal Life. We have been taught that we must ever live according to God's Holy Word if we would gain Immortality.

5TH STATION (FIDELITY):

The Station of Fidelity teaches responsibility and trust. You should be true to every vow. Never make a promise to anyone if you feel you will not be able to keep it.

6TH STATION (PATRIOTISM):

This Station, Patriotism, reminds you of your duty to your country. Our forefathers died that we may speak freely, have equal justice, and above all, worship God as we choose.

7TH STATION (SERVICE):

At the Station of Service you learned that Service must be a part of everyday living. It is the noblest of all virtues. As a leader, you must help and serve your Sisters and your Assembly, and remember always to serve God.

(The Master conducts the Worthy Advisor from the 7th station toward the East, where they are met by the Chaplain and the Jr. Past Worthy Advisor. All approach the Altar where the crown will be removed from the Jr PWA and placed on the new Worthy Advisor's head. During the walk from the 7th station, the Master will say...)

MASTER:

You have again passed through the stations of the seven rays of the Rainbow whose beautiful colors emanate from the source of the White Light, the Holy Bible, which is on the Altar before you. As the new leader of this Assembly, I would admonish you to seek strength, wisdom and courage from its pages to aid you in conducting the affairs of this Assembly so that it will prosper under your direction.

(The two girls kneel at the Altar; the Master stands directly in back of the girls; the Chaplain stands to one side. As the Jr PWA leaves the East, she should rap 3 times to raise the Assembly; if she forgets, the MA should raise the assembly.)

MASTER: Brother Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer.

CHAPLAIN:

Our dear God, we bow our heads in prayer
and ask that you guide these girls through this year.
Help them to lend a hand each day,
and spread Love and Charity along the way,
Being ever mindful of the lessons told,
whose teachings of others they may enfold.
Give them courage; protect them with Thy glory
so they may continue to tell the Rainbow story.
Amen.

MASTER:

And to signify the trust which has been placed in your hands, I now crown you Worthy Advisor of _____ Assembly, #__.

(The Master and the Chaplain escort the two girls back to the East. The new Worthy Advisor requests the Worshipful Master to introduce the Crowning Team.)

MASTER: The Crowning Team will retire.

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