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## **Meeting Minutes of the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf**

Foundation General Meeting 21st day of April, CE 2006.

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### Motion 1. Election of Claustal Prior

Sr. Barbara Franklin, OL. A member of the Order of the Leaf in good standing as a Novice was nominated for and elected to the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf to serve as Claustal Prior per the Articles and Bylaws of the Order.

*Abbot (Acquiesco), Claustal Prior (Abstergo), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

### Motion 2. Election of Sub-Prior

Br. Kenneth Sanderson, OL. A member of the Order of the Leaf in good standing as a Novice was nominated for and elected to the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf to serve as Sub-Prior per the Articles and Bylaws of the Order.

*Abbot (Acquiesco), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

### Motion 3. Confirmation of Abbot

Fr. Geoffroey-Allen Franklin, OL, D.D. N.P., M.A.B. A member of the Order of the Leaf in good standing as a Friar of the Order and Ordained Minister of the Order was confirmed in and instructed to maintain his post in the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf, serving as Abbot per the Articles and Bylaws of the Order.

*Abbot (Abstergo), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

### Motion 4. Incorporation

Whereas, the Order has received word that Incorporation with the State is not necessary for the continuation of the Order nor necessary for the establishment of 501(c)3 non-profit purposes we shall not Incorporate at this time. However, should it become necessary to Incorporate at a future time we shall reserve the right to do so. In keeping with the concept of Incorporation we shall keep the Bylaws and Charter of the Order in the spirit of and guided by the statutes of the State of Georgia and the requirements of a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Corporation.

*Abbot (Acquiesco), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

### Motion 5. Work session on Articles and Bylaws of the Order

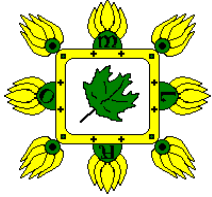
Various changes and re-writings occurred due to Motion #4. The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws were changed to the new Charter Bylaws then agreed to and enacted by Vote.

*Abbot (Abstergo), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Acquiesco)*

### Motion 6. Principal Mailing Address

Whereas the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf recognizes the need for a Principal Mailing Address it is deemed that until such time as redacted by the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf that the Order uses the address of 58 Georgia Avenue, Maysville, GA 30558-2026.

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### Motion 7 . Standards of Dress

Whereas, the Foundation of the Order of the Leaf believes that the members of the Order should present a uniform form of acceptable dress while engaged in their work with and at the Abbey; and

It is hereby enacted that while members are engaged in their work with and at the Abbey they are expected to wear such garb as allowed by their culture; and

Further, that Pilgrims be instructed to wear albs made from plain materials and colored in a light gray; and

Further that Novices and Friars be instructed to wear cassocks from plain materials and colored in white or albs made from plain materials and colored in a light gray; and

Further, that ordained members of the clergy are authorized to wear clerical collars and clerical shirts with pants or long skirts; and

Further, that when not engaged directly in work for the Order or the Abbey Members may dress as they desire.

*Abbot (Acquiesco), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Discrepo)*

### Motion 8. Statement of Faith and Beliefs

Whereas, This Order is hereby convened to help those pilgrims seeking it to find enlightenment. It is our purpose to help any and all who ask to find their spiritual truth, regardless of race, gender, background or other church affiliations; and

We believe in God, and respect the power of Prayer. We also respect and value those who do not believe in God and those who get their answers through means other than prayer; and

We believe that all men and women should be given the opportunity to become useful citizens, do meaningful work, to encourage and help others find their purpose and achieve a healthy self-image; and

We believe that modern life has become cluttered and spiritually diminished by the excessive use of technology and time saving devices. While we do not shun technology, we believe that the overuse of technology and time savers has laid open a divide between people and their spirit; and

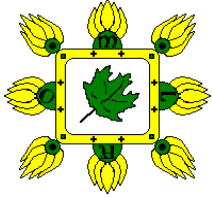
We believe that there is a path to enlightenment and spiritual preservation by learning and appreciating the simplicity of life; and

We believe in allowing individual responsibility for spiritual growth; and

We respect the Constitution of the United States of America.; and

We also respect the governments of the other peaceful nations in which some of our members reside; and We believe in religious freedom, as long as it does not infringe on the rights of others and is within the law.

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Motion 9. - Financial Committee

Whereas the Foundation of the Order has determined the need for transparency in the area of Finance there is hereby created a Financial Committee; and

This Committee is to be chaired by the Claustal Prior with the vice-chair of the Warden; and

This Committee is empowered to advise the Claustal Prior on matters of Finance.

*Abbot (Acquiesco), Claustal Prior (Abstergo), Sub-Prior (Acquiesco)*

Motion 10. - Buildings and Grounds committee

Whereas the Foundation of the Order has realized that for the Order to preform the duties of and services to the Abbey and the Order a structure and land needs to be found; thus

We, the Foundation do hereby create a Buildings and Grounds committee.

This committee is charged with the task of locating acceptable land and buildings that will enable the Order to preform the various tasks and services as empowered by the Charter and Bylaws of the Order; and

The committee is directed to present their findings to the Foundation of the Order when able; and

The chair of the committee shall be Fr. Geoffroey-Allen Franklin, OL, D.D. N.P., M.A.B.

*Abbot (Abstergo), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Acquiesco)*

Motion 11. - Appointment of the Cannon Missioner

Fr. Geoffroey-Allen Franklin, OL, D.D. N.P., M.A.B. A member of the Order of the Leaf in good standing as a Friar of the Order and Ordained Minister of the Order was appointed to the post in the Greater Chapter of the Order of the Leaf, serving as the Cannon Missioner per the Articles and Bylaws of the Order.

*Abbot (Abstergo), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

Motion 12. - Appointment of the Vicar of Publications

Fr. Geoffroey-Allen Franklin, OL, D.D. N.P., M.A.B. A member of the Order of the Leaf in good standing as a Friar of the Order and Ordained Minister of the Order was appointed to the post in the Greater Chapter of the Order of the Leaf, serving as the Vicar of Publications per the Articles and Bylaws of the Order.

*Abbot (Abstergo), Claustal Prior (Acquiesco), Sub-Prior (Abstergo)*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned submits these Minutes upon this 21st day of April, 2006.

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Fr. Geof Franklin, O.L., D.D., N.P.  
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