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COND: Worthy Matron, I have the pleasure of introducing Sister (Brother) _____, formerly of Chapter _____, who has been elected to membership in this Chapter.

WM: Worthy Patron, I invite you to preside.

WP: My Sister (Brother), we are happy to extend to you a fraternal greeting and to welcome you into our Chapter. You have taken the obligation and walked through the labyrinth in another place, but you have shown your love for our beautiful Order by requesting membership in this Chapter. May you find sincere friendship and fraternal love within these walls. And may the light of the Eastern Star continue to shed its rays across your pathway as you travel the road with us. You will now give attention to the address of the Worthy Matron.

WM: It is with happiness that I greet you as a member of our Chapter. We are brothers and sisters in a great fraternity of service. It is our duty as well as our pleasure to give aid and assistance, both material and spiritual, to all who walk the path within our labyrinth. You have joined us in that service here. Together we serve.

WP: You will now be conducted to the Secretary's desk where you will sign the By-laws of this Chapter, after which you will be conducted to the east, facing west.

(Member signs the by-laws and is returned to the east, facing west.)

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