



# Desert of Georgia

Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine of North and South America and its Jurisdictions, Inc.  
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*"Unselfish Devotion In The Interest And Welfare Of Others"*



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Nobles,

We pray this letter finds you well and filled with the same sense of gratitude and fulfillment we are experiencing as we write to you. On behalf of both of us, we extend our heartfelt thank you for your presence and enthusiastic participation as we made history with the Inaugural Desert Day at the Capitol with over 200 in attendance from 31 Temples and Courts from all over the Desert. Your involvement was instrumental in making Desert Day at The Capitol a resounding success. From thought-provoking discussions to engaging interactions, your contributions were invaluable in fostering a spirit of unity and shared commitment to promoting our causes of preventing Human Trafficking and supporting our Veterans.

Throughout the day, we were truly moved by your patience, passion, and dedication. Your commitment is a testament to your devotion to our Desert. We received various visitors from the legislation to include Rep. Omari Crawford, Senator Gail Davenport, Rep. Tremaine Reese, Rep. Roger Bruce, Rep. Dexter Sharper, Rep. Carolyn Hugley, Rep. Clint Crowe, and Rep. Rhonda Burnough who gave us words of encouragement and inspiration.

For some at the capitol, this was their first observation of Black Nobles and Daughters. We would not be surprised if some of the legislators are members of Yaarab Temple of A.A.O.N.M.S. and are aware of the historic Supreme Court case resulting in the formation of A.E.A.O.N.M.S. Inc., setting the historic precedence for the existence of Black organizations nationwide.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Planning Committee to include: Chair, Noble Carlos Williams II, Desert Director of Public Relations, Noble Rinza Burton, Desert Webmaster; Noble Curtis Jenkins, Photography; HPIP Jerome Williams, DMR; Dt. Bambie Hayes-Brown, Legislative Liaison; Dt. Courtney Girley, DMR; Dt. Ihsana Ujamaa, DMR; Dt. Kala Porter, Photography/Videographer; for their exemplary leadership and support in organizing Desert Day at the Capitol. Your efforts in this historic event are deeply commendable and greatly appreciated.

As we reflect on the success of Desert Day at the Capitol, let us also recommit ourselves to the importance of our work, because with continued collaboration and action, we are confident the Desert of Georgia will make a meaningful difference. One of the most rewarding parts of the day were the conversations we had with curious citizens and children asking who we are.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and participation in Desert Day at the Capitol. We look forward to your continued support and presence next year.

I remain,

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