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## ARTICLE IV, Section 402, New paragraph 4

Declaration, Electioneering, Notification and Election

**PURPOSE**: For many years the process of elections has operated primarily by tradition It has become apparent over the past couple of years that some of those traditions need to be better defined and incorporated into the Grand Chapter of Washington By-Laws. This is to assist candidates with better, clearer definitions of what is considered electioneering. Always remember the obligation you took when joining the Order of the Eastern Star and the penalty of suspension or expulsion from the Order for violations of them. A new section "Process" to e added to assist in understanding.

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