



# **Sovereign Ecclesiastical Principality Church of the East**

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## **Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Priory of Turtle Island**

### **ARTICLE I: NAME AND SEAT**

**Section 1:** The Grand Priory of Turtle Island is an international, non-profit Corporate Sole dedicated to the healing of people and the land through mostly monastic or indigenous measures.

**Section 2:** The international headquarters are in Papantla, Veracruz, Mexico and span the United States, Mexico, and all of the Caribbean Islands, which is the ancient Turtle Island.

### **ARTICLE II: NATURE AND PURPOSE**

**Section 1:** The Provider Network of the the Grand Priory of Turtle Island is made up of Doctors and Practitioners of all types, such as Medical Doctors, Chiropractors, Osteopaths, Naturopathic and Naturopathic Medical Doctors, health coaches and others working in a natural health capacity, as well as agriculture and business executives, who want to aid in economic development of indigenous groups and others desiring natural healing for themselves and their land.

**Section 2:** Most of Providers of the Grand Priory of Turtle Island have graduated from state licensed schools and qualify to get licenses in each state.

**Section 3:** However, some people wish to go under an alternative licensing system which is not under the state boards.

**Section 4:** The Sovereign Ecclesiastical Principality of the Church of the East, is the Government of the Far Eastern Orthodox Apostolic Church, a Church which was founded in 52 a.d. by St Thomas, one of the original 12 apostles, and the only Church in the world with an apostolic line going all the way back to the beginning of the Church Age.

**Section 5:** The Orthodox Churches were the first ones to have hospitals, and the first to organize and teach indigenous and monastic medicine.

### **ARTICLE III: RULES FOR NOMINATIONS**

**Section 1:** Around 900 years ago, the Church Organized various Knight Hospitaller Orders whose mission was to protect the pilgrims traveling to Jerusalem and tend to the sick and the wounded as a result of the attacks of the Moors.

**Section 2:** The Knights of St. John of Jerusalem and the Knights of St. James are two groups which, even today, are dedicated to healing the sick and doing humanitarian projects, all through monastic and indigenous medicine.

**Section 3:** The Sovereign Ecclesiastical Principality of the Church of the East authorizes the Grand Priory of Turtle Island to set up Priories (healing centers) all across the U.S., under Monastic, Indigenous, Holistic and Dynastic exceptions.

**Section 4:** Each will be run by Knights in the Hospitaller tradition of treating the whole person, body, soul and spirit. Those that work in these centers, as well as the people that come for treatment, do not have to have the same belief in God; they must just have the desire to be able to have a choice of how they want to deal with the condition that they have without the state getting involved.

**Section 5:** All people coming for services must join as a private member of the priory, not the Church, and they have automatic membership to all other priories in the system.

**Section 6:** This is not available to the general public- we do not deal with the public at all. The mission continues to aid the indigenous people, who have suffered greatly the last 500 years, and any card-carrying member of a tribal nation will receive free membership and will get discounted services upon presentation of their proof of tribal status.

## **ARTICLE IV: PROMULGATION**

**Section 1:** This Constitution and Bylaws is promulgated on the 17rd day of November, 2016.

**Section 2:** This Constitution and Bylaws takes effect immediately binding.