

Grand Chapter of Kansas Order of the Eastern Star

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Sister Bonnie King, Adda Chapter #467, has been doing some research to see what it would take for us to be able to get Eastern Star vanity license plates from Kansas. The Grand Trustees have given us permission to take an informal survey to see if there is sufficient interest from the membership to pursue creating the license plates. To have the State offer the special OES license plates, we must prove that we have a minimum of 250 persons interested in purchasing them.

In obtaining one of these license plates there will be some additional expense to you when you renew your car tags, and we want you to understand the cost involved before we ask you to sign up as an interested party. The following are the facts as we understand them regarding the license plates and the costs, please understand that the costs listed here are only estimates and the actual costs may be higher or lower than those shown here.

- 1. You would need to purchase the OES plate through your local county as part of your annual license plate renewal. The estimated cost for the plate is \$50.00. You would be required to purchase a new tag every 5 years.
- 2. To obtain the county sticker that goes on the license plate each year, including the first year, you would pay your normal registration fee plus an additional \$50.00 fee for having the vanity plate.
 - a. For example, if your normal license fee is \$35, then the renewal cost with the OES plate would be \$35 plus \$50 for a total renewal fee of \$85. This does not include any personal property taxes that may be included.
- 3. \$25.00 of the \$50.00 renewal fee would come back to the Grand Chapter.
- 4. Grand Chapter would receive the revenue as long as our members continue to buy and/or renew their Eastern Star license plates.
- 5. This is not a decorative license plate for the front of your vehicle; this would be your actual Kansas state license plate and would replace your current license plate. Having the OES license plate will help advertise Eastern Star wherever you travel.

If you are interested in getting an Eastern Star License plate, please ask your Chapter Secretary to add your signature to the list of interested members from your Chapter. We are asking the Chapter Secretaries to send your list to the Grand Secretary by March 1, 2022. If we do not receive at least 250 signatures, this project will not proceed.

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