

Society for the Preservation and Propagation of Barbershop Quartet Singing in the United States

Appendix A

Affirmations and Avowals for Prospective SPPBSQSUS Lodges

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By our signatures appended below, we hereby affirm and avow that as a recognized Lodge of SPPBSQSUS, Inc, ("SPPBSQSUS") we will adhere to the following principles: Furthermore, we recognize that even minor deviations from these basic principles could result in revocation of our charter:

1. The list of members attached hereto is a full and complete list of all present members of the Lodge.
2. All members listed, as well as all future members will be required to be members of SPPBSQSUS.
3. Other than occasional guests who are fully qualified to be members of SPPBSQSUS, no non-member will be allowed to participate in the activities of our Lodge.
4. As officers of the Lodge, we have all read the bylaws of SPPBSQSUS and pledge ourselves to conduct ourselves in accordance with those bylaws.
5. If we desire to, in any way, alter or change our bylaws, such change must be approved by the SPPBSQSUS Governance and Bylaws Committee.
6. We have ascertained that all members of the Lodge have read the statement of purpose articulated on the SPPBSQSUS.ORG web site and are one in accord with that statement.
7. We understand that we are encouraged to lend support to our community as much as possible in a pro bono manner.
8. We understand that we are free to find and support a local service project that is in accord with our principles and that does not cast an unfavorable light on SPPBSQSUS.
9. In addition to our own service project, we agree to support any National Service Project supported by SPPBSQSUS. We understand that support of a National project shall not degrade our support to our local community.
10. We and our fellow Lodge members have read and agree to abide by the SPPBSQSUS Code of Ethics.

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11. At no time and for no reason shall any member of our Lodge cast disparaging remarks about any other barbershop organization. In as much as is humanly possible, we shall maintain a warm fellowship with other barbershoppers without sacrificing our principles.

12. We shall do our best to avoid any actions, activities, statements or programs that might cause harm to our Lodge, SPPBSQSUS and/or the officers of both, or, which may be cause for anyone to pursue legal action against or file a claim against our Lodge, SPPBSQSUS and/or the officers of both.

President of the Lodge

Executive Vice President of the Lodge

Officers of the Lodge
