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TRIBUTE TO WORTHY GRAND MATRON.

Sister -----, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of ----, it is my deep honor and pleasure to say a few words to you. For your fine service, now and always, you deserve a tribute far beyond mere words. Self sacrifice and tireless energy are always the evidence of your responsibility. When we look to the Grand East for guidance, you blend courage with encouragement, and always recognize the Good of the Order.

I offer you a pansy, as a symbol of your strength and inspiration for others. The P is for Proficiency, and you have always demanded and received proficiency, and have given an unexcelled example of excellence. A is for the Aged, always near and dear to the heart of a Grand Matron... the care of the Old Folks. For this we gather here a little and there a little and give part of our hearts. N is for the needs of the Chapter room, and attendance is always a need. We look into our hearts and see other needs... paid-up dues, taking part in all activities, loyalty and unselfishness... these are but a few. S is for Service and service is love-in-action. The story is complete. In this service we are to remember those who serve in far places. And, finally Y is for Youth. We, as sponsoring bodies, must always have the good of youth in our hearts, and you have set the pattern. Sister -----, your ideas and ideals are an inspiration to each one of us, and we will strive to follow where you lead.

We are delighted to have you with us, and it will be our joy to have you again and again.

For, knowing you is loving you,
And we would know you well;
And knowing, loving, serving,
Our heart-song we would tell.