***Sandy Say:***It is always a pleasure to be asked to be an installation officer. Before we begin with the installation of the new officers, let us take a moment to thank those that have served our Unit this past year.

**Ask Rachel, Annie, and Victoria to come forward.**

***Priscilla Say*:** On behalf of our Unit, thank you for your service this past year. We are grateful for the time and commitment you have given the Unit.

* Give Rachel <certificate> ~ ***Say****:* thank you
* Give Annie <certificate> ~ ***Say***: thank you
* Give Victoria <certificate> ~ ***Say****:* thank you

***Priscilla Say*:** Lets thank them one more time *APPLAUSE*

***Priscilla Say*:** You may sit down

***Sandy Say:***One gift most young children receive early in life is a set of blocks. Blocks fuel the imagination and children can spend hours building houses, skyscrapers and cities with their blocks. If one block is removed, the building foundation can weaken, and the building may even collapse. Likewise, every member of our Unit is vital to the strength of our organization.

***Priscilla Say*:** Officers are an important part of any organization. Just as the blocks at the bottom of a structure support an entire building, officers support their organization through competent leadership. When officers perform their task well, the organization remains strong.

Today, as we install our new officers, we are using a theme of building blocks to represent the importance of a strong foundation in our leaders. Their commitment to foundational strength will help keep our Unit strong, sustainable, and fair to all.

***Priscilla Say*:** Will the newly elected officers please come forward.

**TREASURER**

***Sandy Say to Treasurer:*** Francine Maxwell, as treasurer you are the cornerstone of this Unit.

The building cornerstone is so important because it is the first block to be set and determines the position of all the pieces to be laid afterwards. **Cornerstones** have been used for over 2,000 years, commencing with the Great Pyramids of Egypt.

Do you Francine Maxwell promise to fulfill the duties of Treasurer as outlined in our Unit bylaws, Article V?

***Francine Respond****: I do*

***Sandy –*** *Pick up the block for Francine*

***Sandy Say***: You have publicly declared that you will serve the Unit to the best of your ability -- *Give Francine her block ~ shake her hand and say* Thank You

**SECRETARY**

***Priscilla Say to Secretary*:** Annie Parrish, as secretary you are the recorder of our Unit’s shared vision. Your words represent our thoughts, our goals, our values. Your service to our Unit is the preservation of who we are, where we came from, and where we are going as a Unit.

Do you Annie Parrish promise to fulfill the duties of Secretary as outlined in our Unit bylaws Article V?

***Annie Responds****: I do*

***Priscilla:*** *pick up the block for Annie*

***Priscilla Say:*** You have publicly declared that you will serve the Unit to the best of your ability –*Give Annie her block ~ shake her hand and say* Thank You

**VICE PRESIDENT**

***Sandy Say:*** Beverly Chandler, as Vice President you represent the load bearing walls for this Unit.

There are many walls in a building, but none more important than the load bearing walls. Living in California we sometimes experience earthquakes and tremors; our buildings shake, rattle, and roll. As vice-president, you represent the strength engineered into our Unit. It is your duty to maintain the Unit strength through your guidance, perseverance, and diligence.

Do you Beverly Chandler promise to fulfill the duties of Vice President as outlined in our Unit bylaws, Article V?

***Beverly Respond****: I do*

***Sandy –*** *Pick up the block for Beverly*

***Sandy Say***: You have publicly declared that you will serve the Unit to the best of your ability -- *Give Beverly her block ~ shake her hand and say* Thank You

**PRESIDENT**

***Priscilla Say to President*:** Victoria Cohen, as president, you are the face of this Unit. You represent our Unit when you attend California state meetings, District 8 meetings, and NAP national meetings. You must be held to the highest of standards as our leader. You must always remember that we choose you to be our leader; to always act and speak with us in mind; to always represent our wishes, desires, and goals, not yours. You are the servant leader of this Unit, and upon your shoulders is the heaviest load of all.

Do you Victoria Cohen promise to fulfill the duties of President as outlined in our Unit bylaws Article V?

***Victoria Responds****: I do*

***Priscilla Say:*** You have publicly declared that you will serve the Unit to the best of your ability –*Give Victoria her block ~ shake her hand and say* Thank You

**TURN TO THE MEMBERS**

***Sandy Say:*** Members, you represent all the other blocks necessary to make this Unit’s structure strong and enduring. Each of you has different skills, talents, and strengths that are needed by this Unit.

I am asking you to use your abilities, your creativity, and on occasion even your time, in support of our Unit.

When we work together we can build a stronger Unit, a stronger society, and a stronger world.

Thank you to the 2018 members that have volunteered to serve as our leaders, and thank you to all of the Unit members that regularly attend and participate in our great and growing Unit –

NOW let’s eat cake!