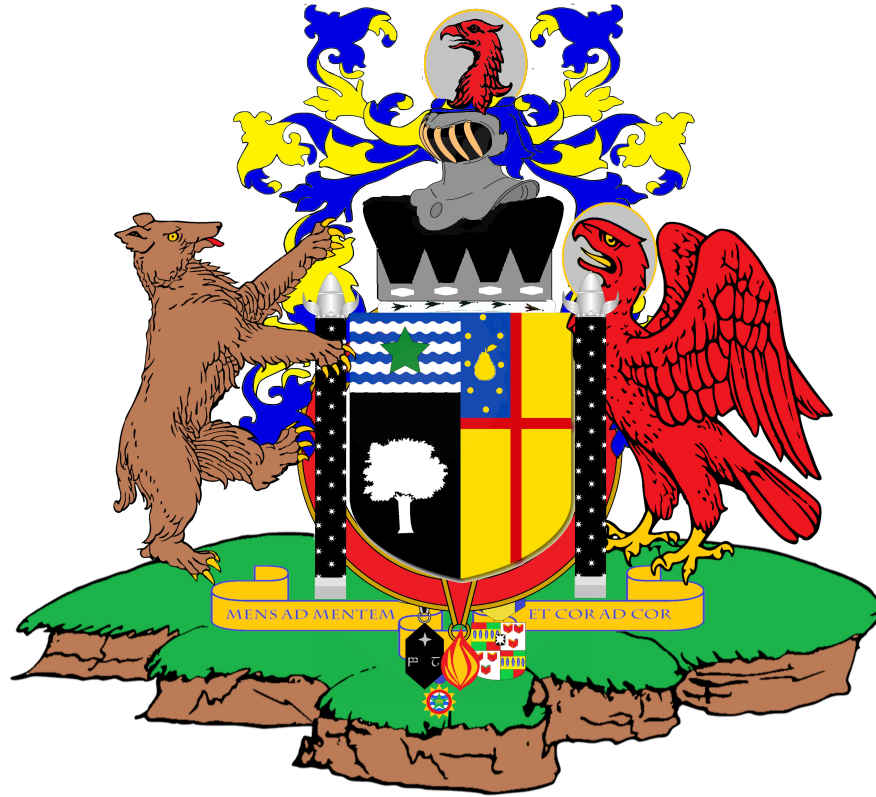




JOHN Duke of Númenor, Marquess of Meneltarma, Earl of Amon Sûl, Viscount Mitheithel, Baron Fornost, Protector of Imladris, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Noble Order of the Flame of Anor, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Illustrious Order of Beren and Luthien, Knight of the Order of the Evenstar, Bearer of the Queen's Own Congratulatory Ribbon, Freeman of the Shire, Grand Master of the Númenórean Order of Merit, Fellow of the Galadhrim, Prince of Gondor, Prince of Arnor, Prince of Laurelindórenan, Until the King Return, Regent and Guardian of the Crown of Gondor and Arnor, and Surrogate of the Lord Great Steward, To all unto whom these presents may come, **GREETING** and the King's Peace!

WHEREAS as Lord Great Steward's Surrogate I am empowered by the Peerage Continuity and Officers' Incapacity Act to create Great Officers of State and **WHEREAS** the Great Office of Lord High Constable, otherwise known as Captain of the Hosts of Gondor and Arnor, has lain vacant since the restoration of these Realms and **WHEREAS** I have determined it is needful and necessary to the preservation of Justice and Mercy, Truth and Virtue, Peace and the King's Majestie that I should exercise the said power and **WHEREAS** His August Majestie's Most Honourable Privy Council has not objected to such creation within the period by statute appointed, **NOW THEREFORE** I John Duke of Númenor Regent of Gondor and Arnor and Lord Great Steward's Surrogate of my own special grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion do and do by these presents name, style, and create myself and my heirs and descendants as Dukes of Númenor, Marquesses of Meneltarma, Earls of Amon Sûl, Viscounts Mitheithel, Barons Fornost, and Protectors of Imladris to be

Lords High Constable and Captains of the Hosts of Gondor and Arnor

providing that we shall enjoy and exercise all of the rights, privileges, prerogatives, and duties to the said Great Office appertaining. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and signet. Given at my City and Fortress of Osnúmenor this twenty-fifth day of Ivanneth in the Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy-eighth year of the Fourth Age, being the fifty-first of my Regency and the fifty-third of my Dukedom.

May the King Soon Return!

John
Regent

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