

A drab Autumn day in the Capital is coloured by rich pageantry and ancient ceremonial. From Buckingham Palace - Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother drives in State to Guildhall - to receive the Freedom of the City of London. And at Guildhall - the proud City offers traditional greeting - warm words of welcome from its leading citizen, the Lord Mayor, Sir Rupert de La Bere.

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Princess Margaret accompanies the Queen Mother.

A greeting, too, from the City's Service volunteers. A Guard of Honour mounted by two Squadrons of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

Then, in traditional procession - the Freeman-Designate is escorted by Militaries into the historic building - to take her place and

~~At~~ At this Special Meeting of the Court of Common Council, the Queen Mother makes the Freeman's Declaration, ~~XXXXXX~~

~~AND~~ as a "citizen and Shipwright" receives the right hand of fellowship from the City Chamberlain.

~~And~~ With a Quill Pen, the Queen Mother signs the Roll of Fame - a treasured document that contains many Royal names, from Charles II to our present Queen.

After receiving as a memento, a pair of 18th century Battersea enamel tea caddies - the Royal Freeman spoke as the fourth woman to be so honoured.

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A City's tribute - honouring a gracious Lady for untiring service to the Nation.