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Decision No. 6

Restoration of Lodge Practices

Dear Brethren:

This decision is required to be read at the first Stated Communication of your Lodge after receipt.

It has been more than a year since our brother Masons across Oklahoma have enjoyed the liberty to meet and fellowship, confer Degrees, hold friend's nights, dine together, and undertake fundraising projects important not only to their lodges, but also the communities they serve.

During that time, we have experienced a global anxiety about the coronavirus pandemic, concern for our family members, brothers, and friends who contracted it, and caution in our behaviors in almost every aspect of our life.

But we have also learned what we need to know to manage our lives in spite of it. We know it is a virus that is infectious. It can spread quickly. It feeds on groups. And, like influenza, it will never go away. We know it is a single strain virus that can be controlled by manufactured antibodies. Vaccines provide individual immunity, and are now readily available to any person who desires to receive them. We also know that booster vaccines are being developed to maintain immunity and control over the virus in the future.

It estimated that 70% of our members have now received the vaccine. Health authorities have also informed us that those who have received the vaccine are no longer required to wear masks or socially distance themselves from others.

Every Lodge in Oklahoma is now in a position to return to its normal lodge practices and activities.

Therefore, Pursuant to Section 202A.3, giving the Grand Master the authority to do what he deems necessary for the welfare of the Craft: it is my decision that Oklahoma Lodges can now return to pre-COVID19 lodge practices and activities, using reasonable judgment in regard to attendance, meals, fundraising activities, district meetings, or public participation. For those who have not been vaccinated, social distancing is still recommended. Masks may still be worn by those who prefer to wear them; and lodges will be tolerant of the wishes of their individual members and guests in this regard. The Worshipful Master still has the authority to govern his lodge when exceptions may necessitate a decision to return to more restricted practices. All previous decisions issued this year pertaining to COVID19 restrictions have been lifted until further notice.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert G. Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

Robert G. Davis

Grand Master

Issued this 21st Day of April, 2021