

Grand Lodge of Arizona Free and Accepted Masons



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To: Brethren, Grand Lodge of Arizona.

From: Greg Vasquez
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Subject: Coronavirus Issue- Clarification of Previous Message.

Brethren,

The Coronavirus issue is very much real in that it is affecting our daily lives. As such, I issued a message dated March 13, 2020 intending to limit all lodge meetings and activities to Stated meetings as required by our Constitution. Having had many questions and suggestions I am sending this message as clarification to my message dated March 13,2020.

Until further notice only Stated meetings, as required by the Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona, are allowed. Stated meetings can be held with as few as five (5) officers and should be held to as short a time span as required to complete lodge business. Until further notice there will be no dinners prior to Stated meetings.

Second, I am issuing a Blanket Dispensation to Arizona lodges to not hold a Stated meeting when a Worshipful Master feels that he cannot hold a Stated meeting for health and safety reasons or because the lodge pedestal officers cannot attend. If a lodge which has no pedestal officers to attend the DDGM (who could himself preside if he is a PM of that lodge) could call on any lodge Past Master to preside.

Third, those Lodges which have only 10 stated meetings a year will have to make up any meetings that are missed.

Finally, when a Stated meeting is held attending officers will follow the precautions established by our state governments, i.e. no handshakes, washing hands regularly, wiping down surfaces and maintaining the recommended "social distance."

In all cases if a brother is feeling ill, coughing, etc. or if a brother does not feel comfortable attending a Stated meeting, he/they should stay home.

Fraternally and sincerely.

Greg Vasquez Grand Master