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To: Worshipful Masters and Lodge Secretaries

Grand Lodge of Arizona

From: Greg Vasquez

Grand Master Grand Lodge of Arizona

Subject: Dispensation for lodge Meeting Held by Electronic Methods.

Dear Masters, Secretaries, Officers, and Members of Arizona Lodges,

I have been contacted by several lodges asking about the use of teleconferencing and video conferencing in place of face-to-face lodge meetings. These methods are a great alternative given the current COVID 19 epidemic situation and Arizona government restriction of meeting size, 10 people or less.

I am hereby issuing a blanket dispensation to allow any and all Arizona lodges the use of teleconferencing and/or video conferencing methods to conduct any and all lodge business meetings until further notice.

Furthermore, any and all business meetings includes stated meetings but not degrees. Since stated meetings require a tyled lodge, I am extending this dispensation to include opening a stated meeting with the following statement: "This stated meeting is symbolically opened on the First Degree of Masonry." Closing the meeting the statement would be: "This stated meeting symbolically opened in the First Degree of Masonry is now closed."

Sincerely and Fraternally.

Greg Vasquez Grand Master 2019-2020