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To: All Beholding to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas and Its Jurisdiction.

From: Hon. Wilbert M. Curtis, Most Worshipful Grand Master

Date: October 28, 2020

Subject: Jurisdiction Status Update

Greetings All,

Psalms 107:28-30 Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and He brought them out of their distress. He calmed the storm to a whisper, and the waves of the sea were hushed. They rejoiced in the silence, and He guided them to the harbor they desired.

It is my fervent prayer that this communication finds you experiencing the bountiful blessings, grace and mercy of Our Heavenly Father; The Grand Architect of the Universe. No matter the troubles we go thru in this life, we are assured that we can lean and depend on Him for He will calm the storm.

This letter is to update you on the status the Jurisdiction of Texas as it relates to the Corona virus pandemic. The Heads of Texas Masonic Bodies met on Thursday October the 22, 2020 to discuss how we should proceed with the in-person meetings and gatherings based upon the current status of the pandemic.

After much discussion it was recommended that:

1. We continue to not have in-person meetings through the end of December 2020.
2. The owners of meeting facilities are to use this time to sanitize your buildings to be CDC Covid-19 compliant.
3. Review and teach your membership the proper protocol for meeting during the pandemic.
4. No Graveside Masonic Rites be given at this time but at the request of the family, *Resolutions* may be read at the wake or funeral of deceased members.

5. Members in small groups may participate in community involvement services, agreeable to the CDC stated rules for that area. We encourage your local charitable giving adhering to your area rules.
6. We encourage all to have virtual meetings preferably on the dates of your regular schedule meetings.
7. The Texas Prince Hall Masonic Family Gift Give-Away has been modified this year. There will be no mass gathering for distribution. A non-profit organization that distribute gifts in the Fort Worth area will be selected and the inventory of gifts that remained from last year will be donated.

We will meet again the second week of December to determine if the status changed.

The world is in the midst of a storm; one like we have not experienced in our life time. The storm that I am talking about is the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic. Lives have been lost, health is failing, loss of livelihood and social gatherings are being limited. We must do our part to work thru it all, be encouraged and know that Our Heavenly Father will see us thru it all.

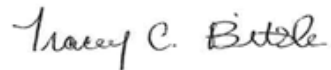
Take due notice thereof, and govern yourself accordingly.

Fraternally yours,



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Attested by:



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