

The Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS



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EDICT 2020-06

Whereas, these are difficult, uncertain and unprecedented times caused by the COVID -19 Pandemic, and

Whereas, the average age and health of the majority of Brethren is considered to be the "highest at-risk" group per the Center of Disease Control, and Whereas, the protection of the health and welfare of the Brethren and their families is and must be our first priority, and

Whereas, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Executive Order 2021-6 effective 3/3/2021 which loosens some of the previous restrictions imposed in his previous order,

THEREFORE, I, James E. Steen, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana do hereby issue this **EDICT**:

Effective immediately any Statewide assemblage of the Craft is permitted so long as the limits of the lesser of 50% of the capacity of a facility or 250 persons total as set by the Governors Executive Order is strictly complied with.

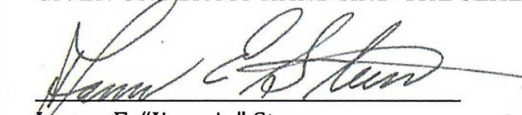
Any local or regional assemblage of the Craft is allowed only so long as ALL in attendance wear masks at all times except when consuming food or drink. Food and drink service is permitted so long as the dispensing of all items is done by a designated server or servers. This includes coffee service, donuts, cookies, etc. All items must be consumed while seated at a table and safe socially distanced.

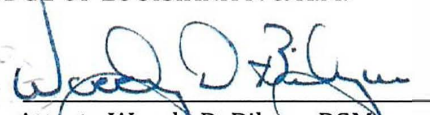
Strict social distancing rules, as established in Governor Edwards' "Open Safely", must be followed. Lodges are required to have hand sanitizer available at multiple locations in the Lodge building. Temperature checks are highly recommended before each meeting.

Edict #2020-4 is hereby cancelled and replaced by this Edict.

THUS GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA F & A M, on this Fifth day of March, 2021, at Alexandria, Louisiana.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA F. & A.M.


James E. "Jimmie" Steen
Grand Master


Attest: Woody D. Bilyeu, PGM
Grand Secretary

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