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To All Grand Chapter of Texas Subordinate Chapters
Re: Election of Officers

Sisters and Brothers,

Our Order is facing a national health crisis unknown in most of our lifetimes. All official visits of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Marianne Shenefeld, and the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Henry Martin have been cancelled through May. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron has instructed all Jurisdictional leaders to follow the CDC guidelines for the well-being of the membership. March 13th, with concern for the health and safety of the membership of Texas, most of whom fall in the high-risk group of over age 60 or having suppressed immune systems, I instructed the Subordinate Chapters to suspend meetings until further notice.

Today, the Corporate Board met via a conference call to devise a plan for the Subordinate Chapters to hold Elections of Officers and Installations which follows our laws (see CoL art. 226 & 227) if chapters are unable to meet in April. With the concurrence of all Corporate Board Members, I am providing a Special Dispensation to all Subordinate Chapters to hold late elections and Installations if necessary. Stated meetings may resume and be held as soon as the CDC, local, state and national governments advise it is safe to hold and attend public meetings. We will let the membership know when those advisories occur. In addition, this is a blanket dispensation for all Chapters and you will not need to apply for one if it is necessary for you to hold a late election or Installation.

It is my sincere hope and prayer this crisis will peak very soon, and we will return to our normal activities in the near future. I ask for your patience, understanding and prayers for our members, Chapters, Order, government leaders and our great nation.

May the Lord bless and keep you,


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