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Worshipful Masters and Brother Secretaries of Wilson District,

Grand Lodge has set up a GoToMeeting account for our District and its Lodges to hold virtual sessions during COVID-19. I am currently in the process of setting it up and testing it.

Once it is ready I will notify you, and your Lodge will be welcome to virtually meet on your regular meeting night without contacting me. If you wish to meet on a different day, please contact me to confirm availability.

The following lodges share the same meeting nights and will need to come to an agreement on who will meet on what nights (or in a showing of solidarity and brotherly love, meet at the same time):

Dereham 624 - 1st Tuesday

Oxford 76 - 2nd Monday

Norfolk 10 - 2nd Tuesday

Three Great Lights 104 - 3rd Wednesday

King Solomon's 43 - 1st Tuesday

Erie 149 - 2nd Monday

Tavistock 609 - 2nd Tuesday

Mercer Wilson 678 - 3rd Wednesday

Please note alternate meetings dates for the above lodges must not conflict with the following existing lodge nights:

King Hiram 37 - 1st Monday

Doric-Corinthian 569 - 1st Wednesday

Oak Branch 261 - 2nd Thursday

St. John's 68 - 3rd Tuesday

Vienna 237 - 3rd Friday

King Solomon's 43 - 1st Tuesday

King Hiram 78 - 2nd Wednesday

Blenheim 108 - 2nd Friday

Ashlar 701 - 3rd Thursday

Thistle 250 - 4th Thursday

Most importantly, all virtual meetings must only be conducted in strict accordance with Grand Lodge policy.

The present policy regarding virtual meetings is:

- No virtual Lodge meetings are to be held (tyled meetings - regular or emergent)
- Committee of General Purposes meetings can be held virtually under the following conditions:
- No ritual is performed (including openings and closings)
- No dispensation is required unless specified in the lodge bylaws
- Minutes must be kept
- All business discussed and approved at a Committee of General Purposes must subsequently be presented to the Lodge for ratification
- Every effort must be made to allow any member wishing to participate in the Committee of General Purposes to attend the virtual meeting

Naturally, social gatherings and check-ins by virtual means are of course encouraged (and no minutes are required). Education discussions on any Masonic topic could be presented (and are what the Grand Master has suggested be done.)

Thank you for keeping your members engaged during the pandemic.

Sincerely and fraternally,

R.W. Bro. Michael J. Segui
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