



The Most Worshipful

# Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio

...Free and Accepted Masons

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“Remember the Past, Embrace the Present and Secure the Future Together”

## Directive - JRE 2021-11

To the Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and Brethren of the Subordinate Lodges of the MWPHGL of Ohio.

Greetings,

I continue to pray that the Grand Architect of the Universe has blessed you and your families with an abundance of health and joy.

On September 1, 2021, I authorized the resumption of in-person meetings. Over the last 30 days, I have watched the number of new daily COVID cases increase by 100%. In August, the daily average was 3,029 new cases per day. In September the number of new cases per day increased to 6,431. I feel that our fraternal order has been very cautious in following all the rules and guidelines of both the State and CDC.

It is my Directive that the lodges may remain open to do degree work, prove proficiency, and adequately conduct the business of both your lodges and that of the Grand Lodge. You must continue to wear your masks, practice appropriate sanitizing of your meeting places, sanitizing your hands, and maintain safe social distancing. All lodges may go back to meeting virtually (**without request for dispensation**). You shall report to your Deputy Grand Lecturer on how you are meeting (virtually or in-person). The Deputy Grand Lecturer will be responsible for tracking the manner in which you are meeting. Their findings will be sent to the MWGM for further review.

It is my prayer that all members of the MWPHGL of Ohio stay safe and stay well.

Given under my hand and private seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Master hereto attached at Akron, Ohio this 1st day of October A.D. 2021, A.L. 6021.

Take due and timely notice of the preceding and govern yourselves accordingly.

Respectfully and Fraternally

*Jerry R. Ellerson*

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