

The Most Worshipful **PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF OHIO** 

.....Free and Accepted Masons....

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## "Building on The Firm Foundation of Our Historic Legacy

To: Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Past Masters and Brethren of all Subordinate Lodges of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons

Greetings:

I want to thank the MW Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Past Masters Wardens and Brethren for your participation in our 171<sup>st</sup> Annual Communication and the historic first Virtual Grand Communication of the MWPHGL of Ohio. I thank God for his Grace and Mercy, his many Blessings and for his Provision. Even in the midst of a Pandemic, he afforded us the means and the opportunity to meet, fellowship and transact the business of our Grand Lodge. I thank the Trustees, the District Deputy Grand Lecturers, the Worshipful Masters, and our technical support team for your many contributions toward the success of our virtual Grand Communication.

I look forward to your participation in our virtual celebration of Prince Hall Americanism Day on September 13<sup>th</sup> via Zoom teleconference. It is a blessing to be able to utilize technology to ensure that we continue to honor our sacred Observances in spite of the limitations and restrictions imposed by the Pandemic. The Proclamation has been posted and is being sent to each Lodge to be read at your stated communication in September.

A resolution was introduced at our 171<sup>st</sup> Annual Communication that will codify our ability to utilize available technology for the purpose of convening future Virtual Grand Communications should necessity dictate. A copy is being sent to every Lodge for review by the Craft. It will be acted upon at a future date.

Finally, it is imperative that we begin **NOW** to mobilize all available resources to take our voter registration, voter education, and voter turnout efforts to the maximum level of engagement. The November  $3^{rd}$  election will be the most consequential election of our



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lifetime. We must be engaged and our engagement must be impactful and result in a record turnout of voters. This is how we will honor the memory of the Hon. Bro. John R. Lewis and demonstrate our respect for the principles upon which Prince Hall founded our Beloved Order. A Directive addressing this is being sent to each Lodge to be read at the September stated meetings and will be posted on the Website.

I pray God's continued Blessings upon each of you and your families, and may his hand of protection continue to cover you. Stay Safe and Stay Well!

Respectfully and Fraternally,

## Chester C. Christie

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