

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

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PROCLAMATION CCC 2020-2

To all Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Past Masters and Brethren

Greetings,

By the virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons, Know Ye that I, Chester C. Christie, Do hereby proclaim that the **One Hundred and Seventy First (171st) Annual Communication** of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Free and Accepted Masons shall convene at the **Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel** – 50 N 3rd St., Columbus, Ohio, Saturday August 8th through Tuesday August 11th, 2020.

I do further proclaim that all activities referenced in this Proclamation are subject to change contingent upon guidance and direction regarding social distancing and mass gathering protocols established by Federal, State, and Local Governments as a result of the COVID19 Coronavirus Pandemic. Prayerfully, any existing restrictions will be removed prior to the commencement of our Annual Communication.



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I do further proclaim that the Prince Hall Scholarship Foundation **Annual Aron Moss Jr. Scholarship Awards Program** shall be held on Saturday August 8, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel. The Craft and guests are encouraged to attend and support the Foundation's program to recognize and salute the 2020 scholarship recipients and their families.

I do further proclaim that the **Grand Lodge Sunday Morning Worship Service** shall be held on August 9, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Renaissance Hotel. The Craft and guests are invited to attend and participate in this joyous and spirit-filled worship celebration. Later on Sunday August 9, 2020 the Brethren shall assemble to parade to the Memorial Service at 6:00 p.m. The **Memorial Service** will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

I do further declare and ordain that a **Lodge of Master Masons** will open at 8:30 a.m. Monday, August 10, 2020, led by the Third Masonic District, under the directions of Right Worshipful Rommey Stepney, Jr. PM No. 89, Deputy Grand Lecturer and under the advisement of Right Worshipful Dean J. Jackson PM No. 7 Grand Lecturer. The Most Worshipful Grand Master will be received at 9:15 a.m. The business of the Grand Lodge will continue until completion on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. The Grand Chaplains and their Associates will conduct a joint devotional period at 7:45 a.m. on Monday, August 5th and Tuesday, August 6th. I hereby **direct** all Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful



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Masters, Wardens, and Past Masters, in good standing, to be present and registered with the "Credentials Committee". All other Master Masons in good standing are encouraged to register and attend.

Proper **attire** for all sessions beginning Sunday evening for the Memorial Service is black or dark suit, white shirt and dark or black tie or bowtie, black dress shoes (no tennis shoes), white gloves and apron. All Grand Lodge Trustees are to be formally attired Sunday evening in Tails for the Memorial Service and Monday Grand Lodge Session, and Black Tuxedos on Tuesday.

Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, (i.e. Deputy Lecturers, Administrative Officers, Marshall, Deacons, Stewards, Standard Bearer, et.) are to be attired in Black Tuxedos with regalia and white gloves on both Monday and Tuesday.

Proper attire for the Banquet on Monday, August 10th is White Dinner jacket, black pants, white shirt, black bowtie and black shoes.

Advanced Registration for voting Members is \$100.00. Onsite- \$115.00; Advanced Registration for Non-Voting Members is \$70.00 (without Banquet ticket). Onsite - \$85.00. Separate banquet tickets are available for \$55.00. The Registration form is attached to this communication and is available on the Grand Lodge Website and from your Lodge Secretary.



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This Proclamation is to be read at the Business and Work Night meetings during the months of May, June and July. Any further directions related to the Coronavirus restrictions will be communicated upon receipt of notification by my Office. Take due and timely notice, thereof, and govern yourselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and private seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Master hereto attached at Columbus, Ohio this 29^{th} day of April, A.D. 2020, A.L. 6020

Respectfully and Fraternally

Chester C. Christie

Chester C. Christie No. 7 - 33° 64^{th} Most Worshipful Grand Master