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GRAND MASTER'S PROCLAMATION
FEBRUARY 2020 IS MASONIC WIDOWS MONTH

California Masonry: Rooted in the Gold Country, Forged in Ideals

Whereas upon our obligation to one other we pledge to keep our brothers' families close to our hearts, treating their loved ones with the same respect we would afford our own; and

Whereas the partners and spouses of our lodge members hold a vital role in our Masonic family; and

Whereas we endeavor to provide a lifelong source of comfort, support, and friendship to the widows of all Masons;

As grand master, I therefore proclaim February 2020 to be Masonic Widows Month in California.

In recognition of this proclamation, I encourage all California Masons to make efforts to reconnect with Masonic widows in their communities. This can take many forms: Reaching out to widows of former lodge members—particularly those you have not heard from in several years—and invite them to a lodge event; organizing a service project to give back to lodge widows through grocery delivery, home improvements, or offering transportation to medical appointments; and writing and calling widows living at the Masonic Homes in Union City or Covina.

Just as Masons take an obligation to care for one another, they are bound to support their surviving family members. This month, remind them they are not alone.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Attest:

John E. Trauner
Grand Master

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Grand Secretary