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Grand Chapter of Oregon Order of the Eastern Star

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The Worthy Grand Patron and I hope this finds you and your families well, safe, and healthy. The ongoing Coronavirus and now the wildfires have certainly put our State in unprecedented times. We are so proud of you for your ever-positive attitude, open hearts, and willingness to help when the call comes.

At this time "gatherings" such as Eastern Star may have 50 people indoors with proper social distancing. We would like to offer each Chapter the option to begin meetings in October with these considerations:

- Adhere to the guidelines for social distancing as prescribed by the State and local governments.
- Communicate with the individual in charge of your meeting place and follow their guidelines for using the building. These best practices or guidelines must be in place before your 1st meeting.
- Conduct stated meetings per the Most Worthy Grand Matron's guidelines for Chapter meetings published in May 2020. (Attached)
- Those Chapters that choose to meet will inform the Grand Secretary.
- Be prepared to suspend meetings in the event there is an increase of coronavirus cases in your county.
- Chapters that are unable to make quorum or choose not to meet because it is too soon will not be penalized. All Secretaries will continue to document each month their meeting status.

For questions please contact me at wgm2020@oregonoes.org

It is our hope that by this soft opening, Oregon's Order of the Eastern Star will be on the road back to doing what we love to do: Helping others by working together, enjoying our fraternal friendships, serving the community and more!

Fraternally,

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William Gersbach, Worthy Grand Patron

