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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I have had several communications with questions and concerns regarding our upcoming Official Visits and regular chapter meetings. I want to you know that I am monitoring the Coronavirus situation closely, and am working to the make the best decisions possible for our membership. I recognize that we need to be extremely cautious regarding our older membership, but I also recognize that right now the risk is considered low in Wyoming. Please find my current recommendations and updates below:

All members should stay home if they feel ill, practice good hygiene by sneezing and coughing into a tissue or sleeve, washing hands regularly for at least 20 seconds, avoid touching eye, nose, and face, and avoid close contact with other people. Avoid hugs, handshakes, and other greetings that are common in our organization.

Regular Chapter Meetings – Chapters are at liberty to cancel regular chapter meetings through the month of April if the chapter so desires. This is completely left up to the discretion of each Worthy Matron and her chapter. If a meeting is cancelled, please write in the minutes that the meeting was cancelled due to the Coronavirus and that no quorum was present.

Official Visits – At this time the Upton and Sundance Official Visits are still on as scheduled. I will be in close contact with those Worthy Matrons and I will notify you promptly of any changes. Upton is especially concerned about their older members and we will make a final decision Monday evening. Sundance is wishing to continue as scheduled, but we will see what the next few days bring.

The Lander Official Visit will be rescheduled to a different date. I will let you know as soon as a decision has been made regarding the new date and time. At this time the Thermopolis Official Visit is still on as scheduled. We will again be monitoring the situation closely and if the decision to reschedule is made I will notify you promptly.

5 State Exchange in Reno – Currently, this event is still on as scheduled. However, the Worthy Grand Matron from Nevada is closely monitoring the situation and getting feedback from involved jurisdictions. I will forward any updates to our Grand Officers.

Anyone who feels uncomfortable attending any Easter Star function is encouraged to remain at home. The risk is still considered to be low in Wyoming, but anyone's wishes to remain at home will be respected.

I will be continually monitoring the developing situation and will provide updates at the situation evolves.

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