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The Grand Lodge
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To: All Lodges, Appendant and Concordant Bodies and Every Mason under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Utah Brethren, This decision is to be published via Grandview to all members and is effective immediately. Whereas there is an ongoing and evolving health crisis surrounding COVID19 in Utah, our country and Worldwide. Whereas the local and State Health departments have issued orders and enacted temporary laws restricting gatherings to fewer than ten (10) individuals due to the health risk of contracting or spreading COVID19. Whereas we should be compliant with local and State laws. It is therefore my decision that No Masonic gatherings may be held until otherwise directed. This includes all youth groups and appendant bodies. Further, it is my order that all Masonic buildings be closed. Maintenance, janitorial and administrative work may continue. To support the continued operations of lodges throughout this period the following will apply: 1) All usual and customary bills that have been budgeted are to be paid. Others may be paid with the order of the Worshipful Master with the consent of the Wardens, Secretary and Treasurer. 2) You are encouraged to use social and electronic media, email lists or other video conferencing technology to remain in contact with your lodge membership. 3) Masonic funerals may be performed at the request of the family of a Mason in compliance with current local and State restrictions. I encourage you to reach out to one another. Pick up the telephone and check in on your Brethren, especially those who are at risk or may live alone. We are in this together and remember always we are our Brothers keeper. Fraternal regards, Clay G. Hamblen Most Worshipful Grand Master CGH/let
