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NOSTALGIC MASONIC POETRY

BRETHREN: HERE ARE A COUPLE OF MASONIC
POEMS THAT I WANTED TO SHARE WITH YOU.

THE PAST MASTER
AUTHOR UNKNOWN

"WHO'S THE STRANGER, MOTHER, DEAR?
LOOK, HE KNOWS US - AIN'T THAT QUEER?"

"HUSH, MY SON, DON'T TALK SO WILD -
"HE'S YOUR FATHER, DEAREST CHILD."

"HE'S MY FATHER? IT'S NOT SO!
FATHER DIED SIX YEARS AGO."

"DAD DIDN'T DIE, OH LOVE OF MINE,
HE'S BEEN GOING THROUGH THE LINE.
BUT HE'S BEEN MASTER NOW SO HE
HAS NO PLACE TO GO YOU SEE -
NO PLACE LEFT FOR HIM TO ROAM.
THAT IS WHY HE IS COMING HOME.
KISS HIM, HE WON'T BITE YOU CHILD.
ALL PAST MASTERS ARE QUITE MILD."

LET'S GO TO LODGE TONIGHT
AUTHOR UNKNOWN

MY BROTHER, LET'S GO TO LODGE TONIGHT;
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN FOR YEARS.
LET'S DON OUR LAMBSKIN APRON WHITE
AND SIT AMONG OUR PEERS.

I FEEL A KIND OF LONGING, SEE,
TO CLIMB THOSE CREAKY STAIRS;
I KNOW IT'LL BE A THRILL FOR ME
TO LAY ASIDE MY CARES.

WE'LL MEET THE TYLER AT THE DOOR
AND THOUGH HE'LL HESITATE,
WE'LL HEAR HIM SAY JUST AS BEFORE,
"COME IN OR YOU'LL BE LATE."

I'D LIKE TO GET OUT ON THE FLOOR--
COME ON, LET'S GET IN LINE;
I WANT TO FACE THE EAST ONCE MORE
AND GIVE THE SAME OLD SIGN.

I WANT TO HEAR THE GAVEL RAP
THE CRAFTSMEN TO ATTENTION
AND SEE THE MASTER DON HIS CAP;
A NIGHT WITHOUT DISSENTION.

SO COME! PASS UP THAT PICTURE SHOW,
OR YOUR WRESTLING BOUT OR FIGHT;
SWITCH OFF THAT TV SET! LET'S GO!
LET'S GO TO LODGE TONIGHT.

FRATERNALLY,
SAM HOUSE, MASTER



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A FLORIDA LODGE VISIT

DURING A RECENT FAMILY TRIP, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT VENICE LODGE NO 301, GRAND LODGE OF FLORIDA. AFTER VIEWING THEIR WEBSITE AND EXCHANGING EMAILS WITH THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND THE SECRETARY, I WAS INVITED TO ATTEND ONE OF THEIR MEETINGS. MY FLIGHT SCHEDULE LIMITED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THEIR FEBRUARY STATED MEETING AND DINNER. THE HIGHLIGHT OF THIS MEETING WAS THE RECEPTION OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER AND HIS COMMITTEEMEN.

AFTER A TASTY MEAL OF JAMBALAYA, I SUBMITTED MY DUES CARD TO THE TILER/PM AND WAS GIVEN A VISITOR CARD AND APRON, AND ADMITTED TO THE LODGE ROOM. THE FIRST THING I NOTICED WAS THAT THEY WEAR THEIR APRONS UNDER THEIR JACKETS, NOT OVER, AS WE DO IN CALIFORNIA. ALL LODGE OFFICERS WERE WEARING TUXEDOS WITH WHITE JACKETS, WHICH I AM TOLD IS AT THE OPTION OF EACH LODGE. THE MASTER'S HAT WAS BLACK BUT CAN BE ANY STYLE HE CHOOSES. THE OFFICERS WERE THE SAME AS IN CALIFORNIA BUT THE MARSHALL WAS SEATED ON THE LEFT OF THE SENIOR WARDEN, THE CHAPLIN WAS SITTING IN OUR MARSHALL'S POSITION AND THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER SHARED A DESK IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE LODGE ROOM.

THE BIBLE ON THE ALTAR CONTAINED TWO LONG BOOKMARKS OF VELVET CLOTH. AFTER THE BIBLE WAS OPENED BY THE SENIOR DEACON, ONE OF THESE CLOTHS WAS LAID CROSSWAYS ALONG THE TOP. THE JEWELS WERE DISPLAYED ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE OPEN BIBLE. THE ALTAR WAS SURROUNDED BY THE THREE LESSER LIGHTS ON SEPARATE SINGLE STANDS AT THE NORTHEAST AND SOUTHEAST CORNERS AND IN THE SOUTH. THERE WAS AN EXTRA ROD HOLDER PLACED AT THE ALTAR FOR THE SENIOR DEACON'S USE. THE MASTER'S AND WARDEN'S STATIONS HAD CLOTH COVERS WITH EMBROIDERED MOTTOS. THE MASTER'S PODIUM WAS DENOTED AS "WISDOM". THE WARDEN'S COLUMNS WERE TIPPED AWAY FROM THE ALTAR WHEN NOT IN USE.

BEFORE THE OPENING OF THE LODGE, THE FLAG WAS REMOVED FROM THE EAST BY THE SENIOR DEACON AND PRESENTED AT THE ALTAR. AFTER THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, THE SENIOR DEACON REPLACED THE FLAG IN THE EAST AND THE LODGE WAS THEN OPENED. STATED MEETINGS ARE DONE IN THE THIRD DEGREE IN FLORIDA. THE RITUAL IS FUNCTIONALLY SIMILAR, BUT THE ACTUAL WORDING IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM THAT USED IN CALIFORNIA BLUE LODGES. SOME OF THE RESPONSES ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE USED IN OUR YORK RITE OPENINGS. THE SIGNS USED IN FLORIDA ARE THE SAME AS IN CALIFORNIA BUT THE GRAND HAILING SIGN IS ALSO GIVEN LAST DURING THE OPENING BATTERY.



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AFTER THE LODGE WAS OPENED, MINUTES READ, REGULAR VISITORS (INCLUDING YOURS TRULY) INTRODUCED AND NORMAL BUSINESS COMPLETED, THE VISITING GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ENTERED THE LODGE ROOM. THIS OCCASION WAS THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL OFFICIAL VISIT SO ALL OF THE DISTRICT OFFICERS WERE ACCORDED GRAND HONORS AND FORMALLY CONDUCTED AND INTRODUCED AT THE ALTAR BY THE SENIOR DEACON. EACH OFFICER WAS INTRODUCED AND SEATED, ONE AT A TIME, IN ORDER OF RANK, WITH THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER AND DISTRICT INSTRUCTOR IN THE EAST, AND THE TEN OR SO COMMITTEEMEN IN THE NORTHEAST SIDELINE CHAIRS.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER RECEIVED THE GAVEL FROM THE MASTER OF THE LODGE AND THEIR TOP HATS WERE COVERED AND UNCOVERED. THE DEPUTY THEN CONDUCTED THE REST OF THE MEETING. HE CALLED ON EACH DISTRICT COMMITTEEMAN TO GIVE A SHORT REPORT ON THEIR COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES. THE REPORTS COVERED AREAS SUCH AS GRAND LODGE FINANCES, YOUTH GROUPS, THE MASONIC HOME, A WIDOW'S PROJECT, MASONIC EDUCATION AND RECRUITMENT. THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER THEN GAVE HIS REPORT AND PROCEEDED WITH A STANDARD CLOSING.

I HOPE THAT THE TIMING OF MY FUTURE TRAVELS TO FLORIDA WILL ALLOW ME TO OBSERVE SOME ACTUAL DEGREE WORK. BASED ON THE MEETING I ATTENDED, I AM SURE THERE WILL BE SOME REMARKABLE COMPARISONS TO BE NOTED. I FOUND THE BROTHERS OF VENICE LODGE NO 301 AND THE DISTRICT OFFICERS FRIENDLY AND EAGER TO RECEIVE ME. ON MY NEXT TRIP, I WILL TRY TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL LODGE TO MY SCHEDULE. THIS WAS AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE WHICH I RECOMMEND TO ALL OF MY BRETHREN WHEN TRAVELING TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

FRATERNALLY,
MIKE MILLER



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CONSIDERING DEMOLAY

DEAR BRETHREN,

MANY OF YOU KNOW THAT I AM A DEMOLAY. AS A MULTIPLE TERM PAST MASTER COUNCILOR OF LIBERAL ARTS CHAPTER, A PAST VICE PRESIDENT AND MULTIPLE TERM PRESIDENT OF DIAMOND LEAGUE, I HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT. AS THE MONTH OF MARCH IS DEMOLAY MONTH FOR OUR MASONIC YOUTH GROUP, I WILL GIVE A BRIEF HISTORY AND MISSION OF THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY.

THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY WAS FOUNDED BY FRANK S. LAND IN 1919, TO HAVE YOUNG MEN WHO WERE NOT MASONIC AGE (21 AT THE TIME) PARTAKE IN OUR MASONIC CULTURE. THESE YOUNG MEN CALLED THEMSELVES DEMOLAYS AS A TRIBUTE TO A HEROIC FIGURE IN FRENCH HISTORY, JACQUES DEMOLAY. SIMILAR TO AN EXEMPLAR KNOWN TO THAT ALL MASTER MASONS, JACQUES DEMOLAY WAS LOYAL TO HIS COMRADES, EVEN WHILE SUBJECTED TO TORTURE. DEMOLAY WAS TRIED BY THE INQUISITION IN 1314 AND, BARBAROUSLY, WAS SENTENCED TO BE BURNED AT THE STAKE.

THE YOUNG MEN OF DEMOLAY STRIVE TO FOLLOW SEVEN VIRTUES IN THEIR DAILY LIVES, FILIAL LOVE, REVERENCE FOR SACRED THINGS, COURTESY, COMRADESHIP, FIDELITY, CLEANLINESS AND PATRIOTISM. DEMOLAYS GET INVOLVED WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE. I, FOR EXAMPLE, GOT INVOLVED WITH RELAY FOR LIFE (A CHARITY TO COMBAT CANCER) DURING MY CAREER AS A DEMOLAY. THE ORGANIZATION IS YOUTH-LED. THEREFORE, IT ALLOWS THESE YOUNG MEN TO BECOME LEADERS AND PERFECT THEMSELVES TO BECOME BETTER MEN. THE MISSION OF DEMOLAY IS TO BUILD, GROW, PREPARE, EDUCATE, AND TRAIN TOMORROW'S LEADERS TODAY.

IF YOU KNOW ANY YOUNG MEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 21. PLEASE DIRECT THEM TO A DEMOLAY CHAPTER IN THEIR AREAS. ALTHOUGH HE MAY BE ONLY 10, HE CAN BE STILL BE A PART OF THE ORGANIZATION THROUGH A SQUIRE PROGRAM.

FRATERNALLY,
BENJAMIN VILLANUEVA



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NEAR AND DEAR

GREAT GOD AND RULER:
WE HAVE FAMILY AND WE HAVE FRIENDS.
FAMILY MUST BE NURTURED.
AND FRIENDS MUST BE CULTIVATED.

TO THOSE WE MEET ALONG THE WAY,
MAY WE GIVE WELCOME WITH OPEN ARMS AND LEND AN EAR!
MAY WE CHERISH THOSE CLOSE TO OUR HEARTS!
MAY OUR LIVES BE ENRICHED, BY THOSE WE LOVE!

MAY THE LORD ABOVE WATCH OVER, PROTECT, AND SUSTAIN US!
AND MAY HE SEE THE GOOD IN US ALL,
AND MAY THAT GOODNESS, SHINE FOREVER!
AMEN.

EDWARD CALZARETTO,
CHAPLAIN



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TRIBUTE TO BACH'S AIR*

IN 2010 I PUBLISHED A LITTLE POETRY BOOK (POSEIDON) IN WHICH I INCLUDED A POEM CALLED "TRIBUTE TO BACH'S AIR." THIS POEM MUST BE READ WHILE LISTENING TO MASTER BACH'S COMPOSITION "AIR". WHAT I TRIED TO PRINT WAS BACH'S PERCEPTION WHILE COMPOSING. (MUST BE READ AT A SLOW PACE).

EN EL AÑO 2010 PUBLIQUÉ MI SEGUNDO LIBRO DE POESÍA (POSEIDÓN) E INCLUÍ UN POEMA EN EL CUAL INTENTÉ INTERPRETAR LA PERCEPCIÓN DEL MAESTRO BACH MIENTRAS COMPONÍA "AIRE". (DEBE SER LEÍDO LENTAMENTE).

TRIBUTE TO BACH'S AIR
NECK FALLING SHIVERING SKIN
EYES FOCUSING—A REACTING VIGOROUS HEART
THE JOURNEY TO ENLIGHTENMENT BORN
RECOLLECTIONS QUICKLY DISAPPEAR
DREAM AND AWARENESS RECALL THE NIGHTFALL
STRUGGLE AT THE HORIZON.

IN THE CORE OF THE HEART, SADNESS EMERGES
DEITIES ARE CLAIMED FOR GRACE AND MERCY
DEEPNESS ACCOMPANIES
AS TEARS FALL, VIOLINS GUIDE THE WEEP
THE SOUL DIPS ITSELF IN THE QUEST FOR UNKNOWNNS
ETERNITY SWITCHES THE SOUL'S PATH,
AT SOME POINT, FREEDOM ARISES
WHEN NATURE COMES OUT THE SELF AND THE MYSTIC RESIST
THE ISSUES ARE GONE
A MYRIAD OF WONDERS ON THE WAY TO NIRVANA
BUT LIGHT WIPES THEM OUT
A GLOW OF ENERGY RESEMBLES WHAT MATTER
GLOOMY FEELINGS JIBE A FAKE REALITY.

ON THE WAY DOWN, THE SPIRIT STANDS
VERY SOFTLY, A FOSTERING INTUITION FUSIONS THE SOUL,
LOGIC NO MORE....THE SPIRIT FLIES UP THE SKIES
A HAZE APPEARS AND BREEZE TOUCHES THE SELF
THE SUN HEATS UP THE HOLINESS OF THE BEING
SADNESS OCCURS, HUMAN IDEALS MAKES THEM COLLAPSE,



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ON THE WAY DOWN, LESSENING APPROACHES
THEN ON THE WAY TO PEACEFULNESS, THE EYES CLOSE DOWN FOREVER.

OVER THE WAVES OF AIR, THE EGO IS REBORN;
CONSCIOUSNESS PREJUDGES THE ACTIONS TO TAKE,
INNOCENCE TAKES PLACE
PURITY SURRENDERS THE FLATNESS OF THOUGH
THE HEART DISCOVERS, NO MORE RULES,
A BEGINNING TOWARD THE MIRACULOUS HUMANITY
FLOATING STRIKES MOVING TO AN INFINITE CREATION

FORFEIT TO HOPELESSNESS AND LACK OF DIMENSION
THE VIBRATIONS OF HAPPINESS, THE REMORSE TO REMEMBER
EXPECTATION VERSUS THE UNDEFINED,
THEY ALL MANIFEST THE NATURE OF SELFNESS;
BUT THE SWITCH IS WHAT REALLY MATTERS, SOMEWHERE IN THE LAPSES,
THE HEART RAISES A HOPE, A CREATION,
A CONCEPT THAT DISAPPEARS, SENSE IS ALL
THE SKY ILLUMINATES AND OPENS THE DOOR RECEIVING THE NEW INHABITANTS,
PERHAPS THE FEAR TO LEAVE TO AN UNKNOWN
RESTRAINS THE PLEASURE TO FLY

FRATERNALLY,
CARLOS ALVARADO BLANCO



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THE ILLUMINATI

THE SUBJECT OF WHAT MIGHT BE ONE OF THE MOST MISUNDERSTOOD SOCIETIES IN HISTORY WAS THE TOPIC OF A LECTURE AND DISCUSSION RECENTLY HERE AT CULVER CITY-FOSHAY LODGE. ATTENDED BY FORTY OR SO MASONS, FRIENDS AND GUESTS, WE OUTLINED THE FACTS, SEPARATED THE FICTION AND DOVE HEAD FIRST INTO THE ACTUAL RITUALS AND STRUCTURE OF THIS SHORT LIVED ENLIGHTENMENT ERA GROUP.

FOUNDED BY ADAM WEISHAAPT IN 1774 AS A PHILOSOPHY CLUB FOR "LIKE MINDED" STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF INGOLSTADT IN BAVARIA, WEISHAAPT HOPED TO BRING POSITIVE CHANGE TO THE CURRENT STATE OF GOVERNMENT AND RULE. THEY OPPOSED OPPRESSION, SUPERSTITION, OBSCURANTISM, RELIGIOUS INFLUENCE OVER PUBLIC LIFE AND ABUSES OF STATE POWER. THEY WERE KNOWN AS "THE PERFECTIBILISTS."

AS THE ORDER GREW FROM SOME COLLEGE STUDENTS READING PHILOSOPHICAL TREATISES BY CANDLELIGHT, A REAL SYSTEM OF INITIATION QUICKLY DEVELOPED. BY 1776, THE ILLUMINATI WAS TRULY BORN. ADOPTING A NEW NAME IN FAVOR OF THE SOMEWHAT COMPLICATED BUND DER PERFEKTIBILISTEN, THOUGH "THE ORDER OF BEES" WAS ALMOST CHOSEN IN FAVOR OF THE NOW INFAMOUS MONIKER OF "THE ORDER OF THE ILLUMINATI."

BY 1778, THEIR NUMBERS HAD GROWN AND THERE WAS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF CROSSOVER WITH MASONIC LODGES OF THE TIME, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT PRACTICED THE "RITE OF STRICT OBSERVANCE" WHICH WAS VERY POPULAR IN GERMANY, BAVARIA AND FRANCE AT THE TIME. IN FACT, WEISHAAPT WAS INITIATED A MASON IN 1777 (THOUGH THERE IS NO CONCRETE RECORD THAT HE HAD BEEN ADVANCED TO THE DEGREE OF MASTER MASON.

BY 1780, THE ORDER WAS SPECIFICALLY JOINING (OR INFILTRATING) LODGES WITH THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF RECRUITING MEMBERS. ONE KEY MEMBER THAT WAS RECRUITED WAS ADOLPH FREIHER KNIGGE, A MASTER MASON, PROLIFIC WRITER AND REALLY, THE MAIN DEVELOPER OF THE ACTUAL DEGREE SYSTEM USED BY THE ILLUMINATI. WITH A PENCHANT FOR DRAMA AND AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE USE OF SECRECY AND ALLEGORICAL HISTORY FOR EXCITING POTENTIAL RECRUITS, KNIGGE, ALONG WITH WEISHAAPT, PENNED A SYSTEM OF DEGREES BROKEN UP INTO THREE CLASSES, INCLUDING ALL THREE DEGREES OF CRAFT MASONRY AND TWO "HIGHER" SCOTTISH DEGREES.

THE CLASSES WERE THE MINERVAL, THE MASONIC AND THE MYSTERY. THE MINERVAL CLASS INCLUDED THE NOVITIATE STAGE IN WHICH CANDIDATES WERE PROPOSED AND



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WATCHED CAREFULLY BEFORE BEING ADVANCED TO THE ACTUAL MINERVAL DEGREE. THE MINERVALS WERE THE BULK OF THE MEMBERS, WHO MET IN "MINERVAL CHURCHES," VERY SIMILAR TO A [MASONIC] LODGE. MEMBERS WERE THEN ENCOURAGED TO PROCEED TO THE MASONIC CLASS, PROGRESSING THROUGH THE ENTERED APPRENTICE, FELLOW CRAFT AND MASTER MASON DEGREE. THIS SECTION COULD BE SKIPPED IF ONE HAD ALREADY BEEN MADE A MASON IN A REGULAR MASONIC LODGE. THE TWO ADDITIONAL "SCOTTISH" DEGREES OF SCOTTISH NOVICE AND SCOTTISH KNIGHT WERE VERY SIMILAR TO DEGREES OF THE "RITE OF STRICT OBSERVANCE," AND BEAR SOME SIMILARITY TO TODAY'S SCOTTISH RITE.

PEAKING AT OVER 2000 MEMBERS, THE ORDER BEGAN A QUEST TO BECOME A COMPLETE MASONIC SYSTEM, WITH THE GOAL OF INTEGRATING OR REPLACING THE RITE OF STRICT OBSERVANCE. IN FACT, THEY CHARTERED LODGE "THEODORE OF GOOD COUNCIL" VIA THE GRAND LODGE OF PRUSSIA, AND USED THIS TO GAIN A WARRANT FROM THE PREMIER LODGE OF ENGLAND, TO CHARTER NEW MASONIC LODGES.

BY TRYING ESSENTIALLY TO USURP AND OVERTAKE THE CURRENT, COMBINED WITH THEIR SPECIFIC CONCEPT OF TRYING TO IMPROVE THE WORLD AND GOVERNMENT AROUND THEM PRODUCED MANY ENEMIES AND CONFLICT WITH MASONS, MARTINISTS, AND ROSICRUCIANS. ULTIMATELY, HOWEVER, IT WAS THE JESUIT BACKED GOVERNMENT ITSELF THAT STRUCK THE FINAL BLOW, OUTLAWING ALL SECRET SOCIETIES IN BAVARIA, INCLUDING THE ILLUMINATI.

WEISHAAPT VOLUNTARILY EXILED HIMSELF, AND THE ORDER WAS OFFICIALLY DISBANDED IN 1785. JUST OVER TEN YEARS SINCE ITS INCEPTION. IT'S POSSIBLE THAT ILLUMINATI BASED LODGES CONTINUED ON THE FRINGE UNTIL THE EARLY 1790S BUT SOON AFTER, THE ORDER WAS FINISHED.

BEFORE ITS COLLAPSE, WEISHAAPT CREATED THE "MYSTERY CLASS" OF DEGREES, WHICH WERE LIKELY NEVER CONFERRED. THEY SHOWED A SHIFT FROM A REPUBLICAN IDEALIST SOCIETY, GROUNDED IN HUMANISM, MORALITY AND ETHICS TO SOMETHING MORE MYSTICAL. THESE DEGREES (WHICH WERE PRIMARILY LECTURE BASED, AS KNIGGE HAD LEFT THE ORDER BY THIS TIME) TOUCHED ON MANY Gnostic IDEALS AND EVEN INCORPORATE ROSICRUCIAN CONCEPTS. THE 18TH DEGREE OF THE SCOTTISH RITE BEARS MANY SIMILARITIES. WEISHAAPT EVEN WENT AS FAR AS TO INTRODUCE A DOECETIST DEGREE, DELVING DEEP INTO ALTERNATIVE INTERPRETATIONS TO TRADITIONAL CHRISTIAN TRADITIONS.

FOLLOWING WEISHAAPT AND HIS ORDER'S RAPID RISE AND FALL, THERE IS A PROGRESSION OF A MAN WITH UNIQUE AND DARING IDEALS WHICH EVOLVED OVER TIME. DRAWING FROM THE SAME WELLSPRING OF USING INITIATIC CEREMONY TO IMPART AND INSTILL CONCEPTS OF IMPROVING ONESELF AS MANY OTHER SOCIETIES OF THE TIME, THE



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ILLUMINATI WAS NO SINISTER REVOLUTIONARY FORCE BENT ON A NEW WORLD ORDER, BUT RATHER ONE OF MANY SYSTEMS IN A LONG LINE OF TRADITION TRYING ACHIEVE SIMILAR GOALS.

IT'S POPULARITY IN TODAY'S MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT IS A FASCINATING RESULT OF A VERY WELL BRANDED AND CONCEPTUALIZED GROUP. ITS CONCEPTS AND SYMBOLS ENDURE, PARTLY FROM KNIGGE'S AND WEISHAUP'T'S CLEVER EXECUTION, BUT ALSO FROM THE INGRAINED THEMES AND SYMBOLISM THAT HAVE ENDURED THROUGH THE AGES, SUCH AS KNOWLEDGE, WISDOM, AND BEAUTY.

I'LL LEAVE YOU WITH THIS SECTION FROM THE END OF THE MINERVA DEGREE: "THIS WORK REQUIRES VIGILANCE, INDUSTRY AND ENERGY. LET THE LETTERS INSCRIBED ON THE ORDER'S SEAL, PMCV REMIND YOU OF THIS; THEY STAND FOR: PER ME CAECI VIDENT," OR THROUGH ME THE BLIND CAN SEE.

FRATERNALLY,
BRYAN GODWIN



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2016 LIFE MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENT RESOLUTION SCHEDULE 1

“THE BYLAWS ARE TO BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS”

THE ATTACHED IS THE FIRST NOTICE (PG 3) TO THE MEMBERSHIP. I KNOW WE VOTED TO CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO ENGAGE GRAND LODGE TO INVEST AND ADMINISTER THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND, HOWEVER, I THINK MOTION SHOULD BE AMENDED TO “CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ENGAGE GRAND LODGE TO INVEST AND ADMINISTER THE LODGE’S LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUNDS AFTER THE SECOND NOTICE IN THE MARCH TRESTLEBOARD.” ACCORDING TO THE DOCUMENTATION AND INSTRUCTIONS I ACQUIRED OFF THE GRAND LODGE WEB SITE, WE FIRST HAVE TO SEND OUT THE SCHEDULE 1 NOTICE INDICATING THE STATED MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WILL BE CONSIDERED. AS THE FORM INDICATES THAT TAKES PLACE MARCH 2ND. AFTER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF FEEDBACK BY ANY OF THE MEMBERSHIP PRESENT AND THERE BEING NO REASON NOT TO CONTINUE WITH THE PROCESS WE THEN IN MARCH SEND OUT SCHEDULE 2 WHICH STATES THAT AT THE STATED MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL 6TH WE WILL VOTE ON THE RESOLUTION TO ENGAGE GRAND LODGE TO INVEST AND ADMINISTER OUR LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUNDS.

UNLIKE THE CHANGE TO THE BY-LAWS TO AMEND THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN TO PLAN B (INDEXED TO AGE) THAT REQUIRED ONLY ONE MONTH NOTIFICATION IN THE TRESTLEBOARD THIS RESOLUTION REQUIRES 2 MONTHS PUBLICATION, FEBRUARY AND MARCH. WE VOTE APRIL 6TH.

2016 LIFE MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENT RESOLUTION SCHEDULE 2

THE ATTACHED IS THE SECOND NOTICE (PG 4) TO THE MEMBERSHIP. IN KEEPING WITH A RESOLUTION AT THE STATED MEETING OF FEBRUARY 03, 2016 AND SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION AT THE MARCH 02, 2016 STATED MEETING THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE MARCH TRESTLEBOARD AS “SCHEDULE 2”.

NOTE:

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#AMENDMENTS #BYLAWS

THANK YOU ALFONSO MUJICA

**NOTICE OF FIRST STATED MEETING
TO DISTRIBUTE DISCLOSURES
TO
CONSIDER TURNING OVER THE
LODGE'S LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND FOR INVESTMENT AND ADMINISTRATION
BY THE GRAND LODGE
(Schedule 1)**

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE § 809.150

Date: FEBRUARY 3, 2016

CULVER CITY-FOSHAY Lodge No. 467 F&AM of California

To the Members of the Lodge:

Please consider this Notice of a Stated Meeting to be held on MARCH 2ND, 2016 at the following _____ location

9635 VENICE BLVD.
CULVER CITY, CA 90232

In addition to other business properly presented during the Stated Meeting, there will be discussion to consider a resolution to engage the Grand Lodge to invest and administer the lodge's life membership fund pursuant to California Masonic Code, Section 809.150 in accordance with the terms described in the Letter Agreement and subject to the Disclosures and Risk Factors (which include the Hewitt Ennis Knupp Fact Sheet) ("**Disclosures**") ; both of which are available online at www.freemason.org, Member Center under Resources & Publications, Life Membership Fund, or will be provided to you upon your request.

You are encouraged to submit your comments and questions before this Stated Meeting to the Lodge Secretary which may be presented to the Grand Treasurer as appropriate or may result in supplemental information being presented at the Stated Meeting to ensure that you and each Member voting on the Resolution approving to engage the Grand Lodge to invest and administer the lodge's life membership fund to be presented at this Stated Meeting do so with informed consent.

Witness my hand on the date first above written.



Signature - Lodge Secretary

**NOTICE OF SECOND STATED MEETING
TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE RESOLUTION
TO ENGAGE GRAND LODGE TO
INVEST AND ADMINISTER THE
LODGE'S LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUNDS
(Schedule 2)**

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE § 809.150

Date: 3/04/2016

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To the Members of the Lodge:

Please consider this Notice of a Stated Meeting to be held on APRIL 06, 2016 at the following location:

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In addition to other business properly presented during the Stated Meeting, there will be discussion to consider and vote on a resolution to engage the Grand Lodge to invest and administer the lodge's life membership fund pursuant to California Masonic Code, Section 809.150. For the informed consent of the voting members, there will be a review of the terms under which the Grand Lodge will invest and administer the lodge's life membership fund stated in the Letter Agreement and Disclosures and Risk Factors (which include the Hewitt Ennis Knupp Fact Sheet) ("**Disclosures**") regarding the Grand Lodge's current investments of a lodge's life membership fund; both of which are posted online are available online at www.freemason.org, Member Center under Resources & Publications, Life Membership Funds, or will be provided to you upon your request.. Members have the opportunity to make inquiry of the Grand Treasurer and to seek supplemental information as needed for their informed consent.

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CALENDAR

MARCH EVENTS FOR CULVER CITY-FOSHAY LODGE NO.467
EACH OF THESE EVENTS WILL HAVE IT'S OWN EMAIL AND SOCIAL MEDIA POST.

DINNER & STATED MEETING 3/2/2016

GRAND MASTER BREAKFAST 3/6/2016

1ST DEGREE FOR TYLER LORENZ AND EDGAR LOPEZ RAMOS 3/9/2016

1ST FOR MASSIMO DEL GRANDE 3/16/2016

ESOTERICA STUDIES GROUP 3/13/2016

VOLUNTEER AT MIDNIGHT MISSION 3/23/2016

2ND DEGREE FOR STEVEN ROSS, IVAN COHEN AND STEPHEN HALSBAND 3/30/2016

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