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GRAND MASTER'S PROCLAMATION
APRIL 2021 IS **PUBLIC SCHOOLS MONTH**
Embracing the Next Evolution

Whereas California public schools are facing the unprecedented challenge of remote instruction, hybrid classrooms, and the related health concerns of in-person learning; and

Whereas California Masons have for more than a century supported statewide programs to support public education initiatives through the observance of Public Schools Month; and

Whereas supporting public schools is a bedrock principle of the California Masonry; and

Whereas the next evolution of California Masonry is predicated on a strong system of public education;

As grand master, I therefore proclaim April 2021 to be Public Schools Month in California.

As California Masonry celebrates the 101st anniversary of Public Schools Month, support for our schools, teachers, and students has never been more important. Our schools are facing all-new challenges, and as a result, more of our students are at risk of falling behind. It is up to organizations like the Masons of California to help close gaps in funding, technology, and materials that our schools require in order to ensure that students have equal access to learning and a safe and healthy environment in which to grow. I call on California Masons to aid your local schools; tutor or mentor students in your community; organize lodge events to improve school grounds and to ensure that students, teachers, and administrators have the equipment they require; and donate to the California Masonic Foundation so that all kids in California have access to the support and materials they need to succeed in school and in life.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Attest:

Grand Master Arthur H. Weiss

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