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GRAND MASTER'S PROCLAMATION
MAY 2022 IS **PUBLIC AWARENESS MONTH**
Crafting Leadership

Whereas Masonry has for far too long been subject to misconceptions that endure in popular culture, which hamper the positive change we hope to make in our communities; and

Whereas California Masons perform many admirable acts of charity and volunteerism in the communities they call home, providing much-needed leadership and support for all around us; and

Whereas the evolution of Freemasonry is predicated on the growth and vitality of our fraternity;

As grand master, I therefore proclaim May 2022 to be Public Awareness Month in California.

An important aim of the 2025 Fraternity Plan is increasing awareness in our communities of the fraternity and the good work that Masons all over California do in their towns. Raising awareness of the fraternity means talking openly with friends, family, and colleagues about what membership in Masonry means; countering negative assumptions about Masonry; and ensuring the continued relevance of our organization. I encourage all members and lodges to consider ways that they can raise awareness of Freemasonry in their community—through open houses, tabling opportunities, and especially simple conversations with friends and family. Our fraternity is not a secret; it's important we share it with the world so that we can make an even bigger difference in our communities. California Masons have much to be proud of. It's time we share that pride with the outside world.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Grand Master Jeffery Wilkins

Attest:

Grand Secretary Allan L. Casalou