

GRAND LODGE FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF CALIFORNIA

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GRAND MASTER'S PROCLAMATION APRIL 17, 2025 DAY OF SERVICE

Whereas April 17, 2025 marks the 175th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of California; and

Whereas the Masons of California have made an indelible impact on the communities in which our lodges have flourished; and

Whereas engaging with the local community is the primary way that Masons make their impact felt in the world around them:

As grand master, I proclaim April 17, 2025, to be a Day of Service.

In honor of the Masons of California's 175th anniversary, April 17, 2025 will be a statewide Day of Service. I am calling on all California Masons, lodges, and members of our extended fraternal family to work cooperatively to make an impact in their community. Our lodges are at their best—and strongest—when they are seen as vital and engaged members of the local community. This is not only how we make our mark on the world around us, but also how others become aware of our organization and what it stands for. In that way, community service is a vital part of ensuring the future of our fraternity.

Whether as individuals, as a lodge, or as a district, I call on California Masons to select a worthy local project and commit themselves to it by volunteering or making themselves of assistance in whatever way is most effective. Let's make ourselves visible to those around us. Wear your Masonic shirt, hat, or pin; post photos and video on social media. Bring attention to what it is that Masons do and stand for. When the world sees us living up to our obligations, they will recognize what we as Masons have always known: That the highest aim of Freemasonry is to improve the world for everyone.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Grand Master Arthur Salazar

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Attest:

Grand Secretary Allan L. Casalou