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## GRAND MASTER'S PROCLAMATION AUGUST 2026 IS MASONIC HOMES MONTH

**Whereas** Masons have taken a pledge to support all brothers and their wives, widows, and children in their hour of need; and

**Whereas** for more than 100 years, the Masonic Homes of California has provided compassionate, relevant, and critical services to Masons and their families; and

**Whereas** Masonic Outreach Services plays a crucial role in connecting vulnerable Masons and their family members to crucial and life-changing relief; and

**Whereas** the Masonic Center for Youth and Families provides children, teens, families, and seniors with important counselling services and tools for maintaining mental health and emotional wellness; therefore,

**As grand master, I proclaim August 2026 to be Masonic Homes Month in California.**

Since 1898, the Masonic Homes of California have provided compassionate care and service to members of the fraternal family. Since then, our fraternity has made good on that promise by offering crucial services to those in need through its retirement homes in Union City and Covina, through Masonic Outreach Services, and through the Masonic Center for Youth and Families.

Together, these organizations provide a powerful network of support for our fraternity. But they also require your support.

This month, I call on Masons to proactively work strengthen our Masonic assistance programs. There are many ways to do so: First, familiarize yourself with the many programs and services available through Masonic Assistance, and then help spread the word about the benefits available to all Masons, spouses, surviving spouses, and their families. Next, seek our opportunities to volunteer through the Masonic Homes, MOS, and MCYAF. Sign-up forms can be found at [masonichomes.org](http://masonichomes.org). And finally, consider making a financial gift to the Masonic Homes at [masonicfoundation.org](http://masonicfoundation.org) to strengthen these programs into the future.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Grand Master Garret S. Chan

Attest:

Grand Secretary Allan L. Casalou