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**The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge  
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Florida, Incorporated**

**OFFICE OF**

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*“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thine ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy path.” Proverbs 3:5-6*

**SPECIAL BULLETIN #6**

**To: The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Senior and Junior Grand Wardens. To all other Grand Lodge Officers both elected and appointed.**

**To all Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters; Honorary Past Grand Masters; Worshipful Masters; Past Masters; Wardens, Grand Lodge Life Members and Brethren comprising the constituency of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Masonic Jurisdiction of the State of Florida; and**

**To the Grand Patron and Grand Matron of the Royal Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Chapter; the Most Worthy Grand Joshua and Most Ancient Grand Matron, United Grand Court, Heroines of Jericho; to The Grand Eminent Commander of the Order of the Knights Templar of the State of Florida, the Grand Ambassador and the Grand Lady Chief Counselor, Bessie E. Pierce Grand Council, Lady of Knights; the Grand Inspector General; To the Illustrious State Grand Potentate, Arabic Grand Council, AAONMS, the Illustrious State Patron and the State President of Al-Shiah Council of Grand Courts of Deliberation, Daughters of Sphinx; and to the Grand Youth Advisors of the National Order of Trailmasters and the Order of Sunbeams.**

**Greetings:**

**Brothers and Sisters, I hope, trust, and pray that all is well with you and your families as we prepare to encounter another hurricane. Hurricane Ian is a massive catastrophic category 3 hurricane that is rapidly intensifying as it approaches the coast of Florida. Governor Ron DeSantis has declared a “State of Emergency” for the entire State of Florida, because the cone of uncertainty is indicating the projected path of this hurricane takes it through the center of Florida. This hurricane is not to be taken lightly and I asking everyone to heed to all warnings and instructions given by The Emergence Broadcasting System, FEMA and your local Emergency Disaster Team. I am strongly encouraging those that are in areas that has been instructed to evacuate to please do so. I urge you to be vigilant and make the necessary preparation to weather this storm and for several days afterward. Even though hurricanes, tropical storms, and tornadoes are common to Florida, each one is different, and have the potential to cause lost of life, and catastrophic damage.**

At this time Hurricane Ian is a category 3 hurricane that is expected to strengthen to category 4 before slowing down and making landfall near Sarasota Florida, potentially causing extreme flooding, strong storm surges, high winds, power outages and tornadoes. Please be mindful that many accidents occur before and after hurricanes, so please be careful preparing for and cleaning up after Hurricane Ian.

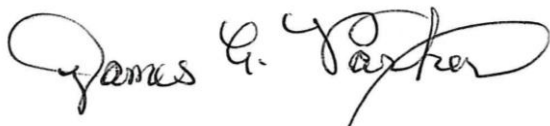
I am asking that all District Deputy Grand Masters contact the Worshipful Masters in their Districts and instruct them to maintain communication with the brothers in their lodges to make sure that they and their families are safe and not in distress. Those Worshipful Masters with elderly and/or sick brothers should maintain constant contact with them throughout this crisis. And last; but, not least, Worshipful Masters with Eastern Star Chapters working under their protection should direct their Patron to communicate with their Worthy Matron to make sure that our sisters are not in distress, especially the elderly and the ill ones. In addition to our District Deputy Grand Masters responsibilities during this crisis, every sister and brother has a responsibility to communicate with and assist, aid, help each other.

Brothers and sisters remember that what impacts any one of us, impacts all of us! "Please be safe, and may God continue to keep you and bless you all is my prayer!"

Done this twenty-six day of September, in the year of Our Lord 2022, in the City of Ocoee, County of Orange, and the State of Florida.

By the authority vested in me, I have caused the seal of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Florida, Inc. to be hereto affixed.

Attest:



M.W. James A. Parker, 33°  
Grand Master



M.W. Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°  
Grand Secretary

