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DIRECTIVE No. 1: Re-opening of Commandery Meetings

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Greetings Sir Knights,

Many of you are now aware that the Deputy Grand Master of Florida, RW Tommy Turlington, is proposing for masonic activities to resume on June 1st. While this is certainly wonderful news for our Blue Lodges and appendant and allied masonic bodies, the Grand Commandery of Florida and all its constituent and subordinate commanderies are still bound by General Order No.12 issued by Most Eminent Grand Master Jeffrey N. Nelson, of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, on 4 May 2020.

In part, General Order No. 12 states that, *“it is ordered that all in-person Conclaves of Grand, Constituent, or Subordinate Commanderies be prohibited until further notice. This prohibition has no exceptions.”*

Therefore, while we are all anxious to resume our Templar duties and activities we cannot do so at this time. I have spoken with our Departmental Commander, RE Jim McGee, who feels that we should be hearing from MEGM Nelson in the next few weeks to lift the ban on meeting. Until that time, I encourage all Sir Knights to work with their respective local Chapters and Councils once they resume meeting, to prepare for upcoming festivals, etc.

Should you have any questions regarding how to proceed please reach out to the office of the Grand Secretary or myself.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Florida at Pembroke Pines, Florida, this twenty-fourth day of May 2020 A.O. 902

Courteously,

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R.E. Grand Commander

