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Date: April 7, 2017

To: Honorable Guests

Subject: Visitor Amenities

The joint Grand York Rite Sessions of Missouri will be held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel (non-smoking hotel) in Jefferson City, Missouri, June 6-11, 2017. You may book on line at https://reservations.travelclick.com/13414?groupID=1466569 or by calling 800.338.8088 or 573.635.1234. Please be sure to mention the Grand York Rite when making your reservations, Reservation Group Code 170605YOR. Room rates are \$83.00 per night for a single or double, \$103.00 per night for a Jr. Suite, and \$113.00 per night for a King Suite, plus tax. Hotel reservations MUST be made no later than May 22, 2017. We regret that we cannot guarantee space availability after that date. ALL members and guests must make hotel reservations on their own. If you experience any difficulties with making reservations, please contact this office immediately.

With respect to our visitors and distinguished guests, it is our custom to extend the following courtesies to our Visiting Dignitaries. It is our hope that you will plan to visit us during our Annual Grand Session, June 6-11, 2017 in Jefferson City, Missouri.

1. Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Missouri * (or his personal representative)
General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter (or his personal representative)
General Grand Master, General Grand Council (or his personal representative)
Grand Master, Grand Encampment (or his personal representative)
South Central Regional Deputy General Grand High Priest
South Central Regional Deputy General Grand Master

South Central Department Commander

Are entitled to: 2 nights lodging

* 4 nights lodging

2 tickets to Saturday GYR Banquet or Friday Dist. Guests Banquet

2. Presiding Grand High Priests (not representatives)

Presiding Grand Masters (not representatives)

Presiding Grand Commanders (not representatives)

Grand Secretaries/Recorders (not representatives)

Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Missouri (not representatives)

Are entitled to: Friday Distinguished Banquet tickets for 2

(over)

Regrettably, unless specifically identified, these courtesies are **not** transferable and unfortunately we will be unable to accommodate those jurisdictions who do not reciprocate in kind. All other Companions, Sir Knights and Ladies are welcome to attend at their own expense. **ALL MUST MAKE THEIR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS.**

Please complete the enclosed Registration and Meal Order forms and return to this office no later than May 20, 2017.

All Distinguished Guests are requested to check-in at the Distinguished Guest Registration with the GYR Executive Assistant, Lady Debbie Hanson, who will make sure that you are properly registered and accounted for.

All "registered" distinguished guests will be introduced in the appropriate grand body during the morning open session. Remarks of our guests will be offered during the business portion of our meetings. Each guest will be introduced once, and only once. You will have to advise us ahead of time on the REGISTRATION FORM (enclosed) as to whether you will be introduced with the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Grand Commandery, or Grand Appendant/Concordant Body representatives. We will include all other appropriate titles as they are provided to us on the REGISTRATION FORM. Therefore, if you are a sitting Grand High Priest and a Past Grand Commander, you will be introduced in the chapter group as such. If you don't register, we will not be able to know who you are and where you are from and will not be introduced.

The Distinguished Guests' Reception will be held on Friday evening and as usual will be a fun event. All are additionally invited to attend our Grand York Rite Awards Banquet on Saturday evening. Please see the meal planning for a description of these events as well as appropriate dress.

We look forward to seeing you in Jefferson City, Missouri. After all, we need MO YORK RITE!

Fraternally,

Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary/Recorder Grand Chapter/Council of the State of Missouri

Russell S. Hanson, Grand Recorder

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Grand Commandery of the State of Missouri