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Dear Brethren,

For many of us, in various Provinces, we look forward to the upcoming Family Day holiday. First established by Alberta in 1990, this holiday gradually has extended to several other Canadian Provinces. Other Provinces also observe a holiday around this time of year, albeit under different names.

The founding legislation in Alberta establishes Family Day as being “in recognition of the importance of family”. Similar sentiments are expressed throughout our country and, perhaps this year more than any other, this important notion of family hits home. As we all live with restrictions and isolation in varying degrees, time seems to stand still. Important milestones that we customarily celebrate together, may pass unnoticed. But always, the importance of family, stands firm.

With that in mind, I extend to all of you, our Scottish Rite Family, my best wishes, both personally and on behalf of all your Supreme Council. By most accounts, our communities seem to be on the road to better days ahead. Hopefully, this good news will continue, and our lives gradually will return to normal; but, in the meantime, difficult as it is, we all must continue to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our communities.

As with many families, I realize that some within our special and widespread family face difficulty, loss, loneliness, and hardship. To each of you, please know that your brethren offer their support, compassion, and brotherhood.

And so, with a sense of cautious optimism, a feeling of confidence that there are brighter days ahead, and a strong dose of enthusiastic anticipation of coming days when our community gatherings will be safe again and we can resume our customary Scottish Rite activities, I wish each of you, as important members of our Scottish Rite Family, good health, brotherly love, and sincere appreciation as we work together during these challenging times.

Yours fraternally,

  

Ill. Bro. Robert S. Whitmore, 33°
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