

The Grand Lodge

Of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Georgia

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STATEMENT ON THE SOVEREIGNTY AND SUPREMACY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF GEORGIA

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TO ALL REGULAR FREEMASONS WHEREVER DISPERSED:

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Georgia at its Annual Communication on October 27, 2015, adopted a provision amending the Masonic Code of Georgia regulating the conduct of its members. Recently, certain regular Grand Lodges have taken action to denounce this provision by suspending recognition of or fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Georgia. In light of these circumstances, I make the following statement as Grand Master of Masons in Georgia:

- 1) At this time, the Grand Lodge of Georgia has not reciprocated by suspending fraternal relations with any of those Grand Lodges.
- 2) This Grand Lodge recognizes the authority of any regular Grand Lodge to govern the conduct of Masons under its jurisdiction.
- 3) This Grand Lodge is the sovereign and supreme Masonic authority in the State of Georgia.
- 4) This Grand Master will take no action tending to undermine the Sovereignty of the Grand Lodge of Georgia or Supremacy of the Grand Lodge body.
- 5) The provision, lawfully adopted by the Grand Lodge of Georgia, stands.

God bless the Grand Lodge of Georgia.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Andrew Lane, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

F. Andrew Lane, Jr. Grand Master
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