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Brethren:

The fourth wave of the COVID -19 virus has really taken hold of Saskatchewan. Our hospitalization rates and active cases are the highest they have been. Elective surgeries have been cancelled. The organ donation program has been suspended. There were no new restrictions announced at the recent press conference held by Health Minister Merriam and Dr. Shahab on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021; however, Dr. Shahab did “recommend that we all need to be very cautious in any small private indoor gatherings,” and he also recommended “that if you are unvaccinated, don’t go to any gatherings until you are fully vaccinated.”

*Therefore, if you are **unvaccinated**, for the safety of yourself and the safety of your fraternal brothers, I am recommending that you do not attend any Masonic functions until you are fully vaccinated or at least until this pandemic is under control.*

Truly, it is now a pandemic of the unvaccinated. If you are unvaccinated, it is not a case of *if* you will contract COVID, it is a case of *when*. If you are unvaccinated and contract the virus you have an insurmountable probability of hospitalization and death compared to those who are fully vaccinated.

Please continue to exercise caution when attending meetings or other functions.

Stay safe and happy.

Fraternally,

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