

HALL OF WASHINGTON LODGE No. 20, F. & A. M.
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Stated Meeting

June 05, 2025

The Stated Meeting was opened at **7:44 PM** with the Master presiding and other Officers and Brethren present as shown in the Tiler's Register.

Officers

Joseph Wallach	Worshipful Master	Kevin Hall	Senior Deacon
Bill Workman	Senior Warden	Nicholas Johnston	Junior Deacon
Brandon Jenkins	Junior Warden	Christopher Hamilton	Marshal
Eric Hixson, PM	Treasurer	Not Present	Senior Steward
Not Present	Secretary	Not Present	Junior Steward
Ramey Packer	Chaplain	James Dimmitt	Organist
Not Present	Assistant Secretary	Martin Buff	Tiler

Worshipful **Russell Tomas, PM**, served as Assistant Secretary.

The Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, invited all Masters and Past Masters to seats in the East, and led the Lodge in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.

At 7:47 PM, Worshipful **David Lagala, PM**, Inspector of the 414th Masonic District, requested admission and was conducted to a seat in the East.

Reading of the Minutes

The Junior Warden, Brother **Brandon Jenkins**, moved that the reading of the May 01, 2025, Stated Meeting minutes be dispensed with and that they stand approved as so distributed. Seconded by Brother **Nicholas Johnston** and approved by the Lodge.

Reports of Investigating Committees

None.

Balloting

None.

Reception of Applications

None.

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business

(a) Reports of Special Committees:


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The Junior Warden, Brother **Brandon Jenkins**, thanked the Brothers for their service on Saturday, May 31st, at Chicks in Crisis. That organization hopes for a yearly return of our Lodge. He also stated that additional Lodges have expressed interest in joining Washington 20 at future events.

The Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, spoke briefly on a business topic that was discussed at the last Temple Board meeting. There is a proposal from Mr. **Jason Lockard**, Founder and Owner of **Locked Barrel** at Elks Tower, to lease our Ballroom and Club Room for \$14,000.00 per month plus 20% of the rental profit on events booked by his company.

There was a spirited discussion regarding the pending rental agreement, with several questions asked by Worshipful **Mauro Lara, PM**, and Brothers **Kevin Hall** and **Ramey Packer**. Brother **Ivan Flowers** stated that he personally knew Mr. Lockard and vouched for his character.

On behalf of the Charity Committee, the Senior Warden, Brother **William Workman**, presented remarks on the Memorial Service of Worshipful **John Knox, PM**, then moved that the Lodge approve a donation in the amount of \$516.11 to **Lilly Knox** to defer the cost of food provided at the Memorial Service of Worshipful **John Knox, PM**, held at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center on 05/17/2025. Seconded by Worshipful **Mauro Lara, PM**, and approved by the Lodge.

The Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, recounted an amusing event involving Worshipful **John Knox, PM**, which still makes him laugh.

(b) Bills and Communications:

The Treasurer, Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, gave the monthly report of bills for **June 2025** in the amount of **\$ 2,290.26**. Audited by the Senior and Junior Wardens. Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, moved that the bills be paid. Seconded by Worshipful **Mauro Lara, PM**, and approved by the Lodge.

(c) New Business:

The Chaplain, Brother **Ramey Packer**, moved that the Lodge approve remission of dues for four (4) members, in accordance with CMC 809.360, as recommended by the Charity Committee. Seconded by Brother **Kevin Hall** and approved by the Lodge.

Sacred Roll

None.

Oration

The Organist, Brother **James Dimmitt**, gave a beautiful presentation on the analogy of a STOP sign and its relation to Freemasonry, by its color, shapes, symbolism, timing, and purpose. It is time to take a new look around us for new symbols.

Brother **Anthony Ibarra**, Fellow Craft, gave an excellent presentation on George Washington's Rules of Civility & Decent Behavior in Company and Conversation.

Brother **Isai Jaimes**, Entered Apprentice, shared an idea of safeguarding Freemasonry from Artificial Intelligence (A.I.). He stated that he was in the process of drafting a letter to the Grand Lodge of California, and asked for any interested Brothers to add their input.

The Senior Warden, Brother **William Workman**, reported cash donation received during dinner in the amount of **\$110.00** to the Refreshment Fund and gave the monies to the Treasurer. He also thanked the Brothers for supporting the Officers on their participation at the Master and Wardens Retreat, and encouraged others to attend.

The Senior Deacon, Brother **Kevin Hall**, introduced Worshipful **David Lagala, PM**, Inspector of the 414th Masonic District, who addressed the Lodge and thanked the Brethren for their hospitality. He also stated that he enjoyed listening to the Orations of the night, and appreciated seeing the culture of a different Lodge.

The Stated Meeting was closed at **8:39 PM**.

Dinner was served in the Banquet Room before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Francisco Marques

Francisco Marques (Aug 8, 2025 15:41:47 PDT)

Francisco Marques, PM
Secretary

Joseph Wallach

Joseph Wallach (Aug 11, 2025 19:55:37 PDT)

Joseph Wallach
Master

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