

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

Stated Meeting

October 02, 2025

The Stated Meeting was opened at **7:45 PM** with the Master presiding and other Officers and Brethren present as shown in the Tiler's Register.

Officers

Joseph Wallach	Worshipful Master	Not Present	Senior Deacon
Bill Workman	Senior Warden	Nicholas Johnston	Junior Deacon
Brandon Jenkins	Junior Warden	Christopher Hamilton	Marshal
Eric Hixson, PM	Treasurer	Maury Hicks	Senior Steward
Not Present	Secretary	Carlos Brusel-Casals	Junior Steward
Not Present	Chaplain	James Dimmitt	Organist
Luis Montero, PM	Assistant Secretary	Martin Buff	Tiler

Most Officers served in Advanced Stations in the Opening and Closing of the Lodge.

Brother **William Workman** served as Worshipful Master;
Brother **Brandon Jenkins**, as Senior Warden;
Brother **Nicholas Johnstons**, as Junior Warden;
Brother **Maury Hicks**, as Junior Deacon;

In the Opening, the Acting Master, Brother **William Workman**, 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.

After the Opening, the Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, directed the Business Session, and all other Officers assumed their Installed Positions, except:

The following served for the entire Stated Meeting:
Worshipful **Matthew Mason, PM**, as Senior Deacon;
and Worshipful **Richard Wilson, PM**, led the Lodge in our devotions.

Reading of the Minutes

The Senior Warden, Brother **William Workman**, moved that the reading of the September 04, 2025, Stated Meeting be dispensed with and that they stand approved as so distributed.
Seconded by Brother **Brandon Jenkins** and approved by the Lodge.

Reports of Investigating Committees

The Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, informed the Lodge that the committee upon the application of Mr. **Samuel Drew Connell** to receive the Degrees of Masonry in this Lodge had requested further time and granted further time until the next Stated Meeting of this Lodge.

Balloting

The Brethren deposited their ballots and elected Brother **David Edward Kitts**, Master Mason 334845, to membership in this Lodge by affiliation, pursuant to CMC §804.710.

Reception of Applications

The Assistant Secretary, Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, read the Application for Degrees from Mr. **Marcos Roman Leal Gastelum**, recommended by Brother **Ramey Packer**, Chaplain, and Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**, Secretary, pursuant to CMC §804.230.

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business

(a) Reports of Special Committees:

The Assistant Secretary, Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, reported on the Ritual Study progress of three Candidates: Brothers **Kelvin Kimball (FC)**, **Isai Jaimes (EA)**, and **John Day (EA)**.

The Assistant Secretary, Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, reported that Brother **Alex Baloji** has not been attending meetings and functions due to the lack of transportation. The Master, Worshipful **Joseph Wallach**, inquired as to whether or not Brother Baloji was aware of the funds available for Lodge members to spend on public transportation and ride-sharing services. Worshipful Montero will follow up with Brother Baloji.

(b) Bills and Communications:

The Treasurer, Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, gave the monthly report of bills for **October 2025** in the amount of **\$ 3,866.36**. Audited by the Senior and Junior Wardens.

Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, moved that the bills be paid.

Seconded by Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, and approved by the Lodge.

The Assistant Secretary, Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, read the FY2026 Budget Proposal from Right Worshipful **Garrett Chan, PM**, Deputy Grand Master, and the FY2027 Per Capita Proposal from Right Worshipful **Ara Maloyan, PM**, Senior Grand Warden.

(c) New Business:

The Senior Warden, Brother **William Workman**, moved that the Lodge pay a \$1,000.00 stipend to each Pillar Officer of this Lodge to help with the costs of attending the **176th Annual Communication** of the Grand Lodge in October 2025, provided they attend the event.

Seconded by Worshipful **Matthew Mason, PM**, and approved by the Lodge.

Sacred Roll

None.

Oration

The Officers Coach, Worshipful **Matthew Mason, PM**., gave a very meaningful presentation on the Lambskin Apron and its twofold symbolism in Freemasonry, stemming from its material and color, which both reinforce the core Masonic principles.

The Senior Steward, Brother **Maury Hicks**, reported cash donation received during dinner in the amount of **\$80.00** to the Refreshment Fund and **\$30.00** to the Widows and Sweethearts Fund (Ladies Night: Oktoberfest), and gave the monies to the Assistant Secretary.

The Stated Meeting was closed at **8:48 PM**.

Dinner was served in the Banquet Room before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Francisco Marques, PM
Secretary

Joseph Wallach
Master