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From the Office of your Past Grand Commander,
Sir Knight Vincent E. Perry:

Since this had to be sent to press two weeks before the Grand Commandery I hosted in Huntington, this is my final message in our state supplement.

I just want to wish the very best for the incoming officers. I wish our new Grand Commander and his line bigger and more success in their work and travels. I pray the blessings of Heaven and Earth abide with all Sir Knights wheresoever dispersed. God our Father bless them all.

Hopefully, by the grace of God and the wisdom of science, this global pandemic of Covid-19 can soon be just a memory and a sad part of our world's history. But one thing is for sure, we all learned a lot during the past year. Our lives will likely never be quite the same as they were before, but whether that is a positive or negative change can be largely up to us. We can learn from the past and we get better, not bitter.

Peace be unto you all,

Vincent E. Perry

Past Grand Commander

I will leave you with some words from the Good Book for you to ponder:

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

—Romans 8:35-39

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. --Galatians 6:2

In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

--Acts 20:35

Be very careful, then, how you live – not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

--Ephesians 5:15-16