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Greetings Sir Knights:

As I have traveled around the state to my OV's I have noticed a troubling trend. Too often the commandry has had trouble meeting a quorum. As we emerge from COVID restrictions too many Sir Knights have gotten out of the practice of attending our meetings in person. Sadly, this is not a trend that is limited to commandries but we are seeing it across all Masonic bodies. I must also say that I have been able to see a few commandries who have been able to turn this trend around. They are conferring the orders and bringing in new Sir Knights. It can be done but we need to work on it. Does your commandry enjoy a festive board before the meeting? Are your meetings more than just an opening and closing? Are the knights practicing tactics so as to be proud of their membership? It takes work. Are you supporting your blue lodges and making sure that the brethren know of your involvement in Templary? These are all questions we need to ask ourselves. It can be done. I am seeing it work in a number of our commandries if you work it. Our commandries are too important for us to lose them because of our own apathy.

It is time to start planning for sessions. Plans need to be made to ensure that your commandry will be represented at the York Rite sessions coming up. Educate yourself on any resolutions that will be presented. Even if you are not a voting delegate, I encourage you to attend to see how as they say the sausage is made. This is a great time to visit with Sir Knights from across our great state, to break bread and remind ourselves of why it is a great day to be a Knight Templar. I look forward to seeing all of my masonic brethren, companions and Sir Knights.

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