



# The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Georgia

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From the Apartment of the Right Eminent Grand Commander

**Mark S. Johnson**

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 4**

**WHEREAS:** The ongoing pandemic and COVID-19 virus continue to be a health hazard; and

**WHEREAS:** Freemasonry teaches us to be good citizens and “obey the executives of our local, state and national government”; and

**WHEREAS:** The primary concern should always be the health and wellbeing of our Companions and Sir Knights, their families, and the public; and

**WHEREAS:** The decisions made by the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Georgia and his officers regarding meeting guidelines will always consider the Rulings of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Georgia, all General Orders of The Grand Master of Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA, the Executive Orders of the Governor of Georgia and the protocols suggested by the CDC, as well as guidelines directed by the Federal Government.

**THEREFORE:** By Order of the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Georgia, Mark S. Johnson, Georgia Commanderies will now move into Phase 2 effective April 8, 2021 as defined in the Grand Encampment General Order No 14 issued by our Most Eminent Grand Master, Jeffrey N. Nelson, on November 1, 2020 and as stipulated by the Grand Master of Georgia Jan M. Giddens Ruling No. 2021-6.

For your safety, as well as that of others, please read the two additional attachments included in this communication completely before proceeding.

The constantly changing situation surrounding this pandemic will be followed closely by the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Georgia and changes will come as the circumstances will allow.

Respectfully ordered on this the 6th day of April in the year of our Lord 2021.

Attest:

Mark S. Johnson  
Right Eminent Grand Commander  
Grand Commandery of Georgia, KT

*Mark A. Bradley*  
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Eminent Grand Recorder

Attached:

General Order No 14, Grand Encampment KT, USA  
Ruling No. 2021-6, Grand Lodge of Georgia F&AM