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July 1, 2015

## **Proclamation**

### All Games of Chance

Because of recent new South Dakota Laws with harsher penalties for violations of games of chance or raffles, I hereby proclaim:

- All requests for raffles will be made on the new attached raffle dispensation form.
- All dispensation requests for raffles must have attached letters to the South Dakota Secretary of State and the States Attorney of the County in which you will draw the prize using the attached forms
- Raffle Dispensations will only be granted for approved Masonic Charities
- Start date of ticket sales cannot be until 30 days after Secretary of State has received raffle request
- Raffles must be completed within 18 months of start date
- A report on the raffle, including the Masonic charity the funds went to, must be filed with the Grand Lodge within 45 days of the raffle drawing
- The Master of the Lodge will be held accountable for any violation of State raffle laws

It is my sincere hope that our Fraternity sets the proper example on how to comply with all South Dakota laws governing games of chance.

Fraternally,

Don Gray, Grand Master

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