



The Grand Chapter of Florida
Order of the Eastern Star, Inc.

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To: Subordinate Chapters of Florida

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

As Brother Rich and I step into the roles of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we are filled with gratitude for the trust you have placed in us and excitement for all that lies ahead. We sincerely thank you for the love and support you have shown over the past three years. The friendships we have formed during this time have enriched our lives and strengthened our Order in countless ways. Your kindness and encouragement have been a true blessing, and we cherish each connection made along this journey.

I have chosen for the Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project this year, the Miami Heart Institute, a leading medical center specializing in cardiovascular care, research, and education. Cardiovascular Disease remains the leading cause of death in the United States affecting millions of people each year including our own families and members. The Miami Heart Institute is a leading medical center specializing in cardiovascular care, research, and education. Its programs address a wide range of heart-related conditions, from prevention and early detection to advanced treatment and rehabilitation. We encourage our chapters to support this meaningful endeavor through fundraising efforts, awareness campaigns, and acts of service. Our Itinerary includes the dates of the special events that have been planned to benefit our Special Project. We invite all members to support these events and we truly hope to see you there joining us in fellowship and service.

We are blessed to have a dedicated group of members serving on various committees, each playing a vital role in the success of our work. These committees ensure that our mission is carried out with care and excellence. We ask that you continue to promote ESTARL, R.E.S.T., S.H.E.A.F. and Youth, our other fundraising committees.

Our Community Service/Membership Committee is represented this year in each of our Districts and our Chairman is excited to have the opportunity to work with each of them to create a united approach toward growth and visibility. Let us all work to strengthen our bonds internally while showcasing our commitment externally. Together, we can build a vibrant, welcoming presence that inspires interest, fosters pride, and reflects the heart of Eastern Star in every community we touch.

Sisters and Brothers, let us move forward with unwavering faith, confident that our shared values and steadfast commitment will guide us through every challenge and triumph. It is with genuine enthusiasm that we encourage each of you to embrace new opportunities, support one another, and continue to keep the spirit of the Order of the Eastern Star shining brightly in every chapter and every heart.

Star Love,

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