



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND

To the Secretaries of all the Lodges in the Province

14th March 2017

Dear Bro. Secretary

2022 Festival

As you are aware the 2022 Festival for the Masonic Charitable Foundation is now underway, and as part of the fund-raising, the Provincial Charity Office is now selling the new 2022 Festival Tie and Bow Tie.

To encourage the purchase of these Ties, the Provincial Grand Master wishes all Lodges in the Province to adopt a standardised approach when describing "Dress" on your Lodge Summons.

Therefore I will be obliged if you will consider using the following words on your Summons:-

Non-Dinner Jacket Lodges - "Dress- Masonic Morning Suit, or Dark Lounge Suit, together with White Shirt and the 2022 Festival, Black, or UGLE Craft Tie. White Gloves"

Dinner Jacket Lodges - "Dress- Dinner Jackets with White Shirt and 2022 Festival Bow- Tie, Black Bow-Tie or UGLE Bow-Tie. White Gloves"

As regards the Royal Arch Tie and Bow-Tie, the Provincial Grand Master has discussed with the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent the wearing of these Ties in Craft Lodges. They both feel that for the duration of the 2022 Festival, the Royal Arch and Royal Arch Bow-Tie should not be worn in Lodges.

It is realised that many Brethren are still wearing the 2012 Festival Tie but this practice should cease once a new 2022 Festival version has been purchased. In due time the Provincial Grand Master will request all Brethren to cease wearing the 2012 Festival version.

On a similar theme, the wearing of the 2012 Festival Jewel should now cease, regardless of whether a new 2022 Festival Jewel has been subscribed-for or not.

All Secretaries and Brethren are thanked for their anticipated co-operation.

Should you have any questions on this subject please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely and Fraternally,

Kelvin F. J. Johnson,
Provincial Grand Secretary.

This letter should be circulated to **ALL** the Brethren in each Lodge, and also should be mentioned and recorded in the Second Rising at your next Lodge meeting.