

## *Notice of Loss of Lodge Membership*

Hall of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, A.F. & A.M.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Iowa  
 \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Brother \_\_\_\_\_

A notice was sent to you that the annual dues to your lodge of \$\_\_\_\_\_ were delinquent and that, under the law, your name will be dropped from the roll unless payment was made by the date specified in the notice. As payment has not been received, this lodge was compelled, under Chapter 41, Section 4, Laws for Subordinate Lodges of the Iowa Masonic Code, to drop your name from the roll at our Stated Communication held on: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

We regret that this action has been taken, and this message is evidence of your Brothers desire that you be restored to membership at the earliest possible date. The Iowa Masonic Code provides that this letter be sent to you within 15 days after your name has been dropped from the roll for non-payment of dues along with the method by which your membership can be restored.

**Chap. 41, Sec. 8, Laws for Subordinate Lodges:**

**RESTORATION.**

**a. Within One Year.** If within one year from the date his name was dropped from the roll, the brother shall pay the amount he then owed plus the current year's dues, or if the lodge shall by a two-thirds vote remit the same, such payment or remission shall automatically restore him to the roll of members as of the date of payment or remission, which fact shall be entered of record.

**b. After One Year. (1) Petition Required.** If such payment or remission is not made within one year from the date his name was dropped from the roll, the brother must petition for restoration. The petition must take the course of that of a profane for the degrees as to recommenders, time, and reference to a committee. A favorable secret ballot of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be necessary to restore. No petition may be entertained except upon payment of the amount due when his name was dropped from the roll and his dues for the current year, unless the lodge shall, by a two-thirds vote, remit the same.

*(2) Refusal of -- Money Refunded.* If such dues are paid with a view to restoration and restoration is refused by a vote of the lodge, the money so paid shall be refunded.

As you can see, that by paying what is due to the lodge your membership will be restored as of the date of the payment.

Fraternally yours,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary