

FROM THE EAST OF THE  
**GRAND LODGE**  
 OF *Free & Accepted Masons* OF  
**WISCONSIN.**

To All Whom it May Concern:

Greetings:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to me by sundry Brethren, to-wit: Brothers

Felix Geissler  
 Robert Blackburn  
 Daniel Slavik  
 Tyler Kratochwill  
 M. Scott Statz  
 James Anderson  
 Patrick Blawat  
 Paul Maldonado  
 Adam Witt

Travis West  
 Erik Nielsen  
 Stephane Blandone  
 Gary Oien  
 Nick Schiavo  
 Glen Witt  
 Markus Schumann  
 Joe Abrams

Phillip Ferris  
 Anthony Schiavo  
 Randall Lagano  
 Paul Gordon  
 Scott Rassbach  
 Robert Lewis  
 Winter Guitte'  
 J. Patrick Stors

residing in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of Wisconsin, praying to be congregated into a regular Lodge, and promising to render obedience to the ancient usages and landmarks of the Fraternity, and the laws of the **GRAND LODGE**; And whereas, said **PETITIONERS** have been recommended to me as **MASTER MASONS** in good standing, ~~by~~ \_\_\_\_\_ under our jurisdiction.

Therefore, I, Rodney A. Paulsen Grand Master of the **GRAND LODGE of the STATE OF WISCONSIN, F. & A. M.**, reposing full confidence in the recommendation aforesaid, and in the Masonic integrity and ability of the petitioners, do, by virtue of the authority in me vested, hereby grant this dispensation, empowering and authorizing our trusted and well-beloved Brethren aforesaid, to form and open a Lodge to be known as

Benjamin Franklin Lodge.

under Dispensation, after the manner of **FREE AND ACCEPTED, ANCIENT YORK MASONS**, vesting them with power and authority to open and hold Lodges of Entered Apprentices, Fellow Crafts, and Master Masons, and therein to initiate, pass and raise, worthy applicants to the several degrees aforesaid, according to the ancient custom, and not otherwise.

This Dispensation is to continue in full force and effect until the next Annual Communication of our **Grand Lodge**, to be held at the City of Madison on the first Friday of June next, unless sooner revoked by me.

And I do hereby appoint Brother Felix Geissler to be the first MASTER, Brother Robert Blackburn to be the first SENIOR WARDEN, and Brother Travis West to be the first JUNIOR WARDEN of the said new Lodge, and it shall be their duty, and they are hereby required, to return this **Dispensation** with a correct transcript of all **Proceedings** had under the authority of the same, to our **GRAND LODGE** aforesaid, at the expiration of the time herein specified, for examination, and for such further action in the premises as shall then be deemed wise and proper.

Given under our hand and seal of our Grand Lodge aforesaid at Dousman, this Twenty-ninth day of October A. L. 6006 A. D. 2006



Rodney A. Paulsen  
 Rodney A. Paulsen Grand Master.

Attest:  
Michael A. DeWolf  
 Michael A. DeWolf, P.G.M. Grand Secretary.