## The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida

**DONALD W. COWART**Grand Master

P.O. Box 1020 Jacksonville, FL 32201-1020 Mbl. 813-431-4923 Email: don.cowart@grandlodgefl.com

## **PROCLAMATION**

TO: THE WORSHIPFUL MASTERS, OFFICERS, AND MEMBERS OF ALL PARTICULAR LODGES OF THE GRAND JURISDICTION OF FLORIDA

The month of February being identified with the birth of George Washington, patriot, soldier, statesman, father of our great country, and outstanding member of Freemasonry, as well as with other notable Masonic events; and

Love of country and our flag being a principle basic concept of Freemasonry in America and freedom of assembly, thought, and religion being essential to the practices of our Masonic tenets, it is fitting that we take time to show our appreciation for our great heritage and as Masons to exemplify and promote patriotism and demonstrate our dedication to the great democratic principles which have made us a great nation.

## THEREFORE, I DO NOW PROCLAIM AND DIRECT:

That the month of February 2025 be designated as "AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH" for the Masons of Florida and that all Particular Lodges participate in special programs to emphasize our loyalty and continued support of our American institutions and our democratic way of life.

Such programs should include our Masonic families, friends, and our Youth Organizations.

Dated at Jacksonville, Florida, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January A.L. 6025, A.D. 2025.

Donald W. Cowart, Grand Master

Attest:

Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary