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Mr. Gregory Ross, Secretary
Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118, AF & AM

To the Master, Wardens, and Secretary of Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118:

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary's office that Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118 balloted on the application for advancement of Lucian Evans Maynard on September 4, 2025, and approved the application, without the application having been first submitted to and certified by the Grand Secretary's office, nor the application having undergone the proper background check as required by *The Code*.

The ballot taken on September 4, 2025, to approve Brother Lucian Evans Maynard's advancement is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 73-6 of *The Code*, and is, therefore, NULL and VOID.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a reballot to Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118 at the stated communication to be held on October 2, 2025. If this cannot be accomplished by October 2, 2025, the lodge shall then ballot on this application at the stated communication to be held on November 6, 2025.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the next stated communication, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for September 4, 2025, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Wendell, North Carolina, this 29th day of September, 2025.

Grand Master

RWR:hrm

cc: DDGM - District 39
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