

To all and every our Worshipful and Loving Brethren,

I, Francis John Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., V.L.

Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire

under the Authority of His Grace The Duke of Devonshire, K.G., &c. &c. &c. &c.

Grand Master of the United Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of England

Send Greeting

Know ye that by virtue of the Patent or Warrant to me granted by the M.W. The Grand Master, and conformably to the Laws and Constitutions of the Grand Lodge, on that behalf made, and also of the great trust and confidence reposed in the right trusty and well beloved Brother

Ben Marsh, P.M. Lodge No. 498, Assistant Provincial Grand Master

I do hereby constitute and appoint, and depute him, the said

Ben Marsh

my Deputy Provincial Grand Master and do fully authorize and empower him in my absence for me and in my Name to preside over the Royal Craft in Worcestershire, and to regulate the Lodges therein, and also to convene Provincial Grand Lodges, or general Communications for the same in conformity with the Laws of the Grand Lodge, at such times and places as to him may seem expedient and necessary, and then and there to appoint Provincial Grand Wardens and other Grand Officers for the Provincial Grand Lodge, and generally to do and perform all such Acts in my absence as I might lawfully do if present. Subject nevertheless to such Directions and Instructions as I may at any time give touching the said matters or otherwise. And I do hereby strictly enjoin my said Deputy to take special care that all and every Lodge in the Province and the Brethren thereof respectively do conform to and observe the Laws, Constitutions and antient Regulations of the Craft.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Elmley Castle, Pershore,

this day of

A.L. 5947, A.D. 1947.

Prov. G.M.