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TO ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF ODD FELLOWSHIP:

Greetings:

You are cordially invited to attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian War Memorial Celebration and Wreath Laying Ceremony to be held on May 31<sup>st</sup> , June 1<sup>st</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019. Our headquarters hotel will be the Best Western Plus Ottawa City Centre, 1274 Carling Ave. Ottawa, Ontario. Our special room rates are \$149.00 per night plus applicable taxes. Reservations can be made by calling 1 613 728 1951. Please inform the registration desk that you are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for this special rate. Rooms in our block are limited and must be ordered by May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Members arriving on Friday May 31 are invited to attend an informal meet and greet reception from 7.00 PM to 9.00 PM. Tickets will be available for pick up. Arrangements have been made to visit the Canadian War Museum on Saturday morning. Bus will leave the hotel approx. 9.45 AM. Following our visit to the Canadian War Memorial Museum, we will stop at the Byway Market. This will give the members an opportunity to visit the gift shops and have some lunch. The bus will return to the hotel approx. 2.30 P.M. Cost of the tour including bus is \$25.00 per person.

Our Annual Banquet and entertainment will be held Saturday Night in the Hotel's Café 1274. The evening will begin with a social time and cash bar from 5.00 PM to 6.00 PM. The banquet will begin at 6.00 PM. Banquet tickets are \$45.00 per person and must be ordered in advance. Each person must complete the attached registration form, indicating your choice of beef or salmon.

Suggested dress code for the men is business suit, tuxedo or military uniform. For the ladies, street length dress, formal gown or military dress. The Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony will take place on Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Cenotaph, Tomb of The Unknown Soldier at 11.00 AM. Bus transportation will be provided from the hotel and return following the ceremony. Those Jurisdictions who currently have a wreath are urged to have a representative from your jurisdiction present to present your wreath. If no representative from your Jurisdiction is present, the committee cannot guarantee that your wreath will be presented. New wreaths may be ordered by contacting the secretary prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. The committee cannot guarantee that orders placed after this date will be available for this year's ceremony. The cost of a new wreath is \$125.00. Wreaths are made of artificial flowers and can be used for many years.

The committee looks forward to greeting you in Ottawa May 31<sup>st</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the secretary.

Fraternally,



Ronald L. Wanamaker, P.G.M.

Secretary.