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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1974

MR. PRESIDENT:

This recommendation was staffed to Phil Buchen and Dean Burch. Dudley Chapman, from Phil Buchen's office, commented that such honorary naming of a class does not require the President's approval, and that they are free to do so if they wish. Express authorization should not be given. Burch remarked that it is purely a matter of the President's desires and that he sees no particular pluses or minuses.

Jones
OK but only if
no attendance required.
Don
Rich

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 18, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: William E. Timmons *fa*

SUBJECT: Freemasons

Congresswoman Martha Griffiths' husband is active in Michigan Masonic movement. You are receiving an invitation to attend the annual Michigan Convention of Masons in April of 1975. Warren Rustand will process this in the regular manner.

However, Mr. Griffiths has relayed a request to name the next Michigan Scottish Rite class "The Illustrious Gerald R. Ford 33rd Degree Class". He needs an answer soon so printing and arrangements can proceed. There is no obligation for you to attend the Class functions and degree conferrals.

I see no negatives in authorizing the class to be designated in your honor. However, too high Masonic visibility could upset some Roman Catholics -- although I think old animosities have faded.

NO OBJECTION TO CLASS DESIGNATION *MR. F.*

- no attendance.

ASK THAT I HAVE A "RAINCHECK" _____.

SEE ME _____.

STAFFING

THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.:

Date: October 18, 1974

Time:

FOR ACTION:

Phil Buchen
Dean Burch

cc (for information):

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Tuesday, October 22, 1974

Time: noon

SUBJECT:

Timmons memo (10/18/74) re:
Freemasons

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

10/25 ready for P.

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

Jerry M. Jones
Staff Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 21, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY JONES

FROM: DUDLEY CHAPMAN *DC*

SUBJECT: Timmons memo (10/18/74) re:
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In other cases of this kind the counsel's office has advised that such honorary naming of a class does not require the President's approval, and that they are free to do so if they wish. Express authorization should not be given.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
FROM: JERRY H. JONES
SUBJECT: Freemasons

Your memorandum to the President of October 18 on the above subject has been reviewed and "no objection to class designation" was approved with the following notation:

-- Only if no attendance is required.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld