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Dear Most Worshipful Brother Stewart:

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity and pleasure of serving the Craft as Grand Secretary. You have allowed me the privilege of giving back to this great Fraternity that I dearly love. My Masonic pilgrimage prepared me to serve in this position and I was humbled to accept it. However, I am reminded of a line in Scottish Rite Ritual, I hope I have it correct, "Times change and Circumstances, but duty and virtue remain the same". Within the past couple of months, my circumstances have changed with respect to my duty to my family in St. Joseph, Missouri.

After much deliberation I have decided that I cannot properly perform the duties of your Grand Secretary and also provide the proper support my family requires. Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation as Grand Secretary to become effective as soon as my successor can be named, or otherwise as you may deem appropriate in the best interests of the Craft.

When I accepted the position of Grand Secretary it was with the knowledge of a very clear purpose: to evaluate the operations of the Grand Lodge office and to implement any needed changes that would benefit the Fraternity for years to come. Through the recent reorganization, I hope you and the Brethren will find that the office is now a functional, efficient, and professional environment, ready for the future.

Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Grand Secretary and you will have my full support as you select and transition to my successor in office.

Fraternally,

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