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Illinois Elks Association

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To: Illinois Elks Association Members

## Subject: Hotel Unavailability and Alternative Arrangements for the Illinois Elks Association Annual Meeting

Dear Illinois Elks Association Members and Attendees,

I regret to inform you that the Wyndham Springfield City Centre Hotel, the designated venue for our Annual Meeting scheduled for May 16-18, 2025, will not be available for guest accommodations. We were made aware that the hotel sustained significant vandalism damage, particularly to its entire elevator systems and water damage. Due to this extensive damage, the building has been deemed unsafe for occupancy at this time. The matter is currently under investigation by the local police department.

At this time, we are awaiting further information from the hospitality community regarding a possible relocation and are exploring options for the election. There are several unknown factors, including the number of available hotel rooms and the ability to accommodate our hospitality needs.

We understand this may cause concern, and we appreciate your patience as we work diligently to secure alternative arrangements. We will provide updates as soon as more information becomes available. Please monitor the Illinois Elks Website for updates.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this unexpected situation. Please do not hesitate to reach out to either one of us if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Sincerely,

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