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Nevada Rainbow Adults,

Supreme Assembly needs our assistance.

For the past several years, we have been warned that the HVAC at the Supreme Temple would require replacement. That time has come. The members of the Supreme Family have been informed that it is no longer possible to repair the HVAC, which was originally installed in the 1950's, because parts are no longer available. Additionally, the existing system is failing. Earlier this month, the staff reported that the temperature inside the building during working hours averaged 84 degrees; the heat combined with the humidity is threatening to destroy many historical records and treasures.

Supreme Assembly has launched its "Century Campaign" to raise funds to restore the health of the Supreme Temple in conjunction with our Centennial Celebration in 2022. The Campaign establishes fund raising goals for three phases: Phase I is to raise \$390,000 by 2018 to replace the HVAC; Phase II is to raise \$110,000 by 2020 to re-glaze and seal windows and grout brick, and Phase III is to raise \$100,000 by 2022 to establish a maintenance fund for future major repairs.

Prior to this Campaign, many conversations were had regarding how to contribute to the replacement of the HVAC in a meaningful way, without sacrificing the efforts of our own Grand Assembly and local assembly projects, and how to respond quickly in order to bring resolution to an issue that seems to have gone on forever! One option is to establish a fundraising goal based on membership.

Consider the numbers:

Total cost for all phases of the Century Campaign = \$600,000

Total members (living in the United States) as of 2016 = approximately 7,000

Total cost per member = \$85.71

Total members in Nevada as of 2016 = approximately 150

Total prorated cost to Nevada Rainbow based on membership = approximately \$12,857

Twelve thousand dollars is a lot of money. But, Nevada Rainbow adults are generous and appreciate the importance of investing in building maintenance in order to preserve our organization's historical records and other treasures. Nevada Grand Assembly will be accepting monetary donations for the HVAC through November 23, 2017, which is also Thanksgiving Day. Then, Nevada Grand Assembly will issue a single, and hopefully very generous, donation to the Supreme Assembly HVAC/Century Campaign. Supreme Assembly will be provided with a list of individual donations received through Nevada Grand Assembly. Additionally, donors' names will be posted on our web site and printed in our 2018 Rainbow Trails.

Donations may be made by check, payable to Nevada Grand Assembly, or on line by click on the shopping cart on our NV IORG web page (the shopping cart is just above the violet tab).

Consider the advantages of a simple monetary donation: nothing to buy and no extra events to fit into your calendar. Consider the advantages to a quick response: preserving the Supreme Temple and its contents for all Rainbow Girls – past, present, and future.

Forever Faithful,

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