

POLICY STATEMENT ON THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF ALCOHOL

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WHEREAS, the Alpha Delta Phi Society is dedicated to the intellectual, social and moral development of its members, and the abuse of alcohol interferes with that development;

WHEREAS, the coercive use of alcohol is wholly inconsistent with the founding principles of this organization;

WHEREAS, excessive drinking may pose risks to the health and safety of individuals that may have a negative impact on society; and

WHEREAS, the Alpha Delta Phi Society encourages individual responsibility and mutual support;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in Convention this 4th day of October, 2003, that

- (1) the Alpha Delta Phi Society and its member chapters and graduate organizations will take affirmative steps to inform all members of their obligation to follow campus policies and enforce laws regarding underage drinking, checking identification, and refraining from serving impaired individuals;
- (2) the Alpha Delta Phi Society and its member chapters and graduate organizations commit to support and encourage alcohol-free activities and alternatives;
- (3) the Alpha Delta Phi Society and its member chapters and graduate organizations will take affirmative steps to help prevent impaired individuals from driving;
- (4) the Alpha Delta Phi Society and its member chapters and graduate organizations pledge to respect any individual's desire to abstain from the consumption of alcohol and will not tolerate activities involving coercing or forcing any member, pledge, or participant in rush, or any guest attending a Society or local function, to consume alcohol;
- (5) the Alpha Delta Phi Society and its member chapters and graduate organizations commit to provide education and information to members and pledges on the dangers of alcohol abuse beginning with the next undergraduate educational caucus;
- (6) all brothers and sisters of the Alpha Delta Phi Society pledge to watch for warning signs of alcohol abuse and to take all necessary steps to support and protect members or pledges at risk from harm from alcohol abuse; and
- (7) the Convention of the Alpha Delta Phi Society instructs the Board of Governors to appoint a Committee of undergraduate and graduate members to implement this resolution and report on their progress to the 7th Convention.

Leah Stern, MID 2006 – motion
Jennifer Greenwood, BRN 1998 – second

The delegates voted unanimously in favor of the resolution. The motion carried.