

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS The Delta Chi Fraternity believes that its chapters and colonies can provide a positive influence to their campuses by providing leadership to the interfraternity council, and

WHEREAS the real potential of this opportunity for leadership can be best achieved by having one of the most capable members of The Delta Chi Fraternity represent the chapter or colony to the interfraternity council, and

WHEREAS this leadership to the campus interfraternity program will have a positive impact on all areas of chapter operation, and

WHEREAS the prominence of the chapter or colony's interfraternity representative, both internally and externally, is important to the long-term success of the interfraternity council,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that each chapter and colony of The Delta Chi Fraternity should designate a member of its executive committee to represent the chapter as its official delegate to the campus interfraternity council, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the chapters and colonies of The Delta Chi Fraternity should select one of their most capable members for this position since the impact of this man can provide greater campus prominence and prestige for The Delta Chi Fraternity and the fraternity system as a whole, and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution is approved by the Forty-Sixth Convention of The Delta Chi Fraternity on this sixth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Seven.



*Adopted August 6, 1987  
46th International Convention*

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS originally founded as a legal fraternity, Delta Chi still maintains as its cardinal principal the observance of and respect for the law;

WHEREAS restrictions on expansion, rushing or pledging at American public institutions of higher learning are inimical to the rights of freedom of association and the equal protection of the laws guaranteed under the constitutions and laws of the United States and its several states;

WHEREAS interfraternity and similar councils at many American public campuses continue to deny or improperly condition or restrict recognition as a fraternity to petitioning groups, and to legislate and to enforce restrictions and controls on rushing and pledging;

WHEREAS such actions not only violate the legal rights of students and groups so restricted and are thus illegal, but also may expose the colleges or universities, the interfraternity or similar councils, their officers and member chapters and the individuals enforcing the restrictions to injunction and liability under the civil rights and/or antitrust laws of the United States and the states in which they are located;

WHEREAS restriction and control of expansion, rushing, pledging is contrary to the welfare of the fraternity system of which The Delta Chi Fraternity is necessarily a part of;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is the policy of The Delta Chi Fraternity to oppose restrictions or controls on expansion, rushing or pledging;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as a consequence and under the law it is the duty of every Delta Chi chapter, colony and member to oppose any such restrictions and controls;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that every Delta Chi chapter, colony, and member is therefore directed to exercise their votes in their interfraternity or similar councils against any denial, restriction or control of expansion, rushing or pledging, in favor of the right of every student group at that campus to be recognized and to recruit members, and in favor of the rights to freedom of association and the equal protection of the laws of every student at that campus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED for the welfare and protection of The Delta Chi Fraternity that any Delta Chi chapter, colony, or member that participates in the legislation or enforcement of any restriction or control of expansion, rushing, pledging at any American public campus may be subjected to available and appropriate sanctions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Delta Chi Fraternity reaffirms that everyone of its chapters, colonies and members are bound to be contributing, responsible members of the Greek system of which they are a part, to cooperate with the college or university authorities at their campus, and to fulfill diligently and completely their duties and obligations as students and members of the academic and Greek communities, but only to the extent those duties and obligations are consistent with the law.



*Adopted August 12, 1989*  
*The Delta Chi Fraternity Board of Regents*

# RESOLUTION

## ABOLITION OF LITTLE SISTER PROGRAMS

WHEREAS the existence of undergraduate auxiliary organizations, commonly known as “Little Sisters,” has generated significant concern among members of the Fraternity, and

WHEREAS the existence of such groups may engender harm to the Fraternity in a variety of ways,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Delta Chi chapters and colonies with “Little Sister” programs may not associate new members and must eliminate any such organizations and,

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED The Delta Chi Fraternity specifically prohibits any Delta Chi chapter or colony or individual member from taking part in any action that organizes, fosters, or, in any way, encourages or allows the existence of any such undergraduate student women’s auxiliary group to any Delta Chi chapter or colony.



*Adopted August 12, 1990  
47th International Convention*

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Delta Chi Fraternity, originally founded as a law fraternity, maintains as its cardinal principle the observance and respect for the law; and

WHEREAS, the Delta Chi Fraternity has outlined basic expectations for its members to uphold and among those are the expectations that all members will respect the dignity and worth of all persons and will not physically, mentally, psychologically or sexually abuse or haze any human beings; that all members will exercise compassion and understanding in dealing with all persons; and that members will challenge all fraternity members to abide by these expectations and confront those that violate them; and

WHEREAS, the Delta Chi Fraternity believes that men must proactively contribute to the education of their peers and their communities in an effort to provide primary prevention efforts that may contribute to the eradication of sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, the Delta Chi Fraternity recognizes that victims coming forward to report sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault show incredible courage and strength, and need their peers to provide support, understand their trauma, and prevent retaliation for reporting their experience; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delta Chi Fraternity does not and will not tolerate sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, or sexual assault; and be it further

RESOLVED, it is the position of the Delta Chi Fraternity to support all campus and community educational efforts to end sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all Delta Chi members, staff, and volunteers will cooperate accordingly with investigations into sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault as requested by university officials and law enforcement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any act of coercion, intimidation, lack of cooperation, or harassment by Delta Chi members in relation to such investigations will be considered “Conduct unbecoming of a Delta Chi” and adjudicated accordingly under Delta Chi Law; and be it

RESOLVED, any Delta Chi member found liable for sexual harassment, stalking, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault will be brought up on the charge of “Conduct unbecoming a Delta Chi” and adjudicated under Delta Chi Law.



*Adopted July 20, 2014*  
*59th International Convention*

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS originally founded as a legal fraternity, Delta Chi still maintains as its cardinal principle the observance of and respect for the law, and

WHEREAS as recognized by the Preamble to the Delta Chi Constitution, the Fraternity is built upon the belief that the close association of a brotherhood of college and university men will promote friendship, develop character, advance justice, and assist in the acquisition of a sound education, and

WHEREAS Article V of the Delta Chi Constitution states that an individual must be “male” to be eligible for membership in the Fraternity, and the term “male” is not defined in Delta Chi Law, and

WHEREAS the Fraternity has received numerous official inquiries from chapters and educational institutions regarding the definition of male and the application of the Fraternity’s membership criteria to transgender males, and

WHEREAS, over 994 colleges and universities in the United States, including the majority of institutions where Delta Chi chapters are located, have included gender identity in their nondiscrimination policies, and

WHEREAS the Fraternity’s all-male status as a brotherhood of college and university men is based upon its right to intimate association guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, and recognizing that the extent of said associational rights may be determined by the clarity of the Fraternity’s governing documents and implementation of its membership criteria;

WHEREAS the United States Departments of Education and Justice have formally stated that a fraternity’s admission of a transgender member does not jeopardize its single-sex exemption under Title IX;

WHEREAS it is the intent of Delta Chi Fraternity to define its membership criteria and maintain its all-male character consistent with its rights under the United States Constitution and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the principles and ideals of the Delta Chi Fraternity are based upon the close association of a brotherhood of college and university men. Any individual who identifies as a man is eligible for membership in the Fraternity if otherwise determined to be qualified. This policy is intended to uphold the status of Delta Chi as a brotherhood of men and should not be interpreted as changing the all-male character of the Fraternity or as a waiver of the Fraternity’s exempt status under Title IX.



*Adopted July 28, 2016  
60th International Convention*