Dear Fraternity and Sorority Life Chapter Presidents,

As the fall term rapidly approaches, the Fraternity and Sorority Life Governing Council Presidents have revisited our community’s 2020-2021 council commitment and social moratorium that remains in place. The current commitment states that Oregon and Oregon Counties Coronavirus policies will be enforced by our councils and chapters on and off-campus; refrain from hosting social functions, practicing social distancing, and educating our community of public health initiatives; and lastly practice peer accountability across towards keeping the both University and local community safe.

The council commitment social moratorium has served the purpose of keeping our members and community safe amidst the global COVID-19 pandemic; however, with Oregon State University lifting COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings on June 30, 2021, it is time to return to pre-pandemic social hosting conditions for all fraternity and sorority life communities. Keep in mind that the possibility to return to pre-pandemic conditions is subject to change due to the continued evolution of the pandemic, and we will follow any guidance and policies from the Oregon Health Authority and Oregon State University.

Each council will navigate the lifting of the social moratorium for their community individually. Please look for a specific message from your council president outlining next steps for your community by September 1. As we prepare to return to in person activities, we will need to meet and review expectations for the year ahead. All chapters are required to send their President, Social Chair, Risk Manager, and Standards Board Chair (or applicable officers) to a Risk Management 101 Refresher hosted on Thursday, September 16 from 5-6:30pm (location and other details will be sent in the coming weeks).

Linked below are resources to help guide you and your chapter through the steps to prepare to host social events once again. We greatly urge you to read through this with your risk management teams and understand them.

Joint Councils Commitment to Virtual Engagement & Social Moratorium
Oregon State University Fraternity & Sorority Governing Councils Shared Event and Risk Management Policy

Oregon State University Fraternity & Sorority Governing Council Shared Social Event and Risk Management Best Practices

We hope that this brightens your outlook for the 2021-2022 school year. As of today, a friendly reminder that masks are required at indoor events at OSU regardless of vaccination status. Safety is a top priority of our community at Oregon State University. We have a perspective that our chapter presidents will continue the safe and enjoyable college experience our members know and love.

Interfraternally,

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