

Theta Delta Chi Fraternity

Statement of Position on Open Expansion and Recruitment

Approved by the Grand Lodge June 23rd, 2004

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WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges advocate a model of year-round unrestricted recruitment, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believe the term “rush” has become associated with a time-specific effort to attract new members to Charge or colony that is passive in nature, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believes, as a smaller fraternity, that the size of a fraternity is not indicative of its ability to administer an expansion project, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believes expansion is important to rejuvenating the fraternal movement;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges that the Charges and colonies move from a rush model to a recruitment model based on an unrestricted, year-round commitment to actively seeking prospective members who share our commitment to fraternal values including scholarship, leadership and service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grand Lodge and its Charges agree to support a policy of open expansion, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grand Lodge and its Charges call on campus fraternity advisors and IFC leaders to implement a recruitment model that provides unrestricted opportunities for students to join fraternities, and to adopt a policy of open expansion.