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To: Council on Campus and Religious Life

From: Inter-Fraternity Council

Re: Proposal for a new national fraternity to join
those on Patterson Court

It is the unanimous opinion of the voting members of the Inter-Fraternity Council that the proposal for the new fraternity be rejected by the Council on Campus and Religious Life. Although affiliated with a strong national fraternity, the small group on campus making the proposal seem not to be unified and not to maintain the ideals that promote a strong, healthy fraternity chapter. The ideals of a strong brotherhood which abound in any strong fraternity seem to be overlooked in this proposal. It is also believed that at this time there does not appear to be a great enough demand for another fraternity to be started, as can be seen by the small number of men involved with this proposal. The addition of this new fraternity to the fraternal system would only dilute the quality fraternities present on campus and overall weaken the fraternity system.

Patterson Court should be a primarily social area for the campus, but in recent weeks it has become a political battlefield. We believe the addition of the all-girls eating house will help strengthen the social system on Patterson Court and help alleviate the tremendous overcrowding at Rusk House. The addition of the "Women's Center" would not accomplish any of these goals. The women of the "Women's Center do not need a social house to discuss their issues nearly as much as the large number of women who want to begin another all-girls eating house similar to Rusk House. This eating house would be a great addition to Patterson Court.