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NPC Responds to Harvard Policy Shift for Women's Groups

INDIANAPOLIS — In response to new comments made by Harvard University Associate Dean of Student Life David R. Friedrich about the university's posture toward single-gender women's organizations, the National Panhellenic Conference released the following statement from Executive Director Dani Weatherford.

"The latest comments from Associate Dean Friedrich provide an important acknowledgement that single-gender organizations do, in fact, provide meaningful experiences to their members. While we are cautiously optimistic about this shift in posture regarding women's organizations, it's clear that significant questions remain — most immediately for men's groups and their members who remain subject to this policy.

"Ultimately, we do not view support for single-gender organizations and progress toward greater inclusion as mutually exclusive concepts. With that as a backdrop, our hope is that the latest comments from Associate Dean Friedrich signal a new willingness by the university to engage with single-gender groups toward what we believe to be a shared goal of a more inclusive, safe and culturally aware campus culture."

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About the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC)

NPC, one of the largest organizations advocating for women, is the umbrella group for 26 national and international sororities. NPC sororities are located on more than 670 campuses with 380,565 undergraduate members in 3,234 chapters. Alumnae are represented in 3,889 associations throughout the world. For more information, including a complete list of NPC sororities, visit npcwomen.org or find NPC on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).