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National Panhellenic Conference Statement on National Hazing Prevention Week

INDIANAPOLIS — Donna King, Chairman of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), issued the following statement today in recognition of National Hazing Prevention Week:

"The fight to prevent and eradicate hazing is not one for fraternities alone, but one for sororities and all campus-based organizations. In the face of tragedies at Penn State and Louisiana State, the work of all commemorating National Hazing Prevention Week could not be more urgent.

"The National Panhellenic Conference re-affirms our commitment to this battle because we all have a role in advocating for change. We stand as partners with our member organizations as well as with campus officials to create policies and build cultures that put student safety at the center. And nationally, we strongly endorse the REACH Act, which will bring greater transparency about hazing on campus.

"The network of advisors, professionals and advocates fighting for change gives us hope, but the reality is that our work must not stop until it is no longer necessary."

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About the REACH Act

The Report and Educate About Campus Hazing (REACH) Act would require colleges and universities to disclose information about hazing on campus in their annual crime reports. It would also require any college or university that accepts federal funding to provide hazing prevention education to all students.

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, lnstagram and Facebook.