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NPC Supports Reintroduction of Federal Anti-Hazing Legislation

WASHINGTON — Rep. Marcia L. Fudge (D-Ohio) and Rep. David P. Joyce (R-Ohio) have <u>reintroduced</u> the bipartisan Report and Educate About Campus Hazing (REACH) Act (H.R. 662). The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) continues to support this anti-hazing legislation, which currently has nearly 50 <u>cosponsors</u> and has had strong support from NPC and many of its <u>interfraternal partners</u> since first filed in 2017.

The 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.

"The advancement of student and campus safety, including the fight against hazing, remains a top priority for us," said Dani Weatherford, chief executive officer, NPC. "And, we support legislation like the REACH Act that can help ensure students, administrators and parents have access to the tools they need—education, transparency and accountability—to more effectively battle this critical issue."

In 2018, NPC joined in an unprecedented partnership with parents who lost sons to hazing and several interfraternal organizations to form the <u>Anti-Hazing Coalition</u> to pursue stronger federal and state anti-hazing laws and educate thousands of students about the issue.

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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 more than 415,000 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 <u>npcwomen.org</u> or find NPC on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u>.