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TO: ISU Fraternities and Sororities

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RE: Moratorium on organization recruitment, new member and in-person activities

Due to the high percentage of ISU students in isolation and quarantine that are fraternity and sorority members, the University is mandating that all fraternity and sorority recruitment, intake, new member activities, and in-person organization activities be on a moratorium in order to help stop the spread of COVID-19. Panhellenic virtual recruitment is included in this moratorium.

During this moratorium, the following in-person organization activities cannot occur: organizational operations, meetings, ceremonies, educational sessions, trainings, and social events or gatherings, regardless of size. Organizations with facilities may only have their current residents/members, official advisors, and essential staff in their facility.

Fraternity and Sorority Life will work with council and organization leaders and advisors on how to safely resume recruitment, new member activities, and in-person organization activities later this academic year.

This is not an easy decision, but it is important for student safety. Past behavior is a predictor of future behavior. Historically, large numbers of new students join our fraternities and sororities in the first several weeks of the fall semester. Once recruitment or intake is complete, these new members will want to gather with current members from their organization and other organizations. These gatherings will more than likely spread COVID-19, thus the reason for this moratorium.