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DATE: February 23, 2015

SUBJECT: Board of Trustees Resolution on Hazing

The University of South Carolina Board of Trustees passed a hazing resolution at its February 20, 2015, meeting. The Board has requested the resolution be distributed to all campus student organizations, alumni advisors and national partners involved with sponsoring organizations on our campus.

Thank you for your continuing efforts at addressing this critical matter with our students. The resolution reads:

University of South Carolina Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees is deeply troubled by the instances of hazing (any ritual or activity involving harassment, abuse or humiliation of any kind) occurring on college and university campuses across the United States and the risks of emotional and physical harm to students that may result;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees reaffirms that hazing – as defined by state law and University policy – is a dangerous and reckless activity inconsistent with the Carolinian Creed and the values and campus community standards of the University of South Carolina; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees fully supports the University's continuing efforts to protect its students by eliminating hazing and holding accountable those individuals who engage in such deplorable behavior.