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## GCA/CHAPTER COUNCIL STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned Grand Chapter Advisor of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at \_\_\_\_\_ (college/university), do acknowledge and swear that:

- I have read the Fraternity’s Risk Management Policies.
- I have shared the content of this agreement and the FIPG Risk Management Policy with all current Chapter Council members. I also commit to sharing this agreement and the Risk Management Policies with future members of the Chapter Council.
- I fully understand and promise to uphold the policies and will submit questions, if and when they arise, to Alpha Sigma Phi Headquarters.
- I understand that the name “Alpha Sigma Phi,” the Greek letters, the Crest of Alpha Sigma Phi, the Badge of Alpha Sigma Phi, the Seal of Alpha Sigma Phi, and the Phoenix design are wholly trademarked property of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. Under penalty of law, I will not duplicate or cause to be duplicated any of these marks without the expressed written consent of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. This includes, but is not limited to clothing, flyers, websites, glassware of any kind, favors, printings of any kind, jewelry, and any other paraphernalia bearing the above-mentioned marks.
- I understand that the Chapter operates in a franchise-like setup with Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. Consequently, the Chapter is responsible for securing its own taxpayer identification number, filing the appropriate tax returns, complying with policies, and performing all other day-to-day operational activity.

This Relationship Statement is taken from the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Constitution

(Article X, Section 1): Relationship Defined: Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. is a non-profit corporation. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. It is headquartered in Carmel, Indiana.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. as a non-profit corporation for the purposes of fostering fraternity, and as an educational and service resource for collegiate chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc., and for persons associated with those chapters. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. has a limited staff. It has limited funding sources which necessarily limit the size of its staff.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. maintains and processes membership and other records for collegiate chapters associated with it. These chapters are located throughout the United States.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. also serves as an educational resource and service organization for affiliate groups, members associated with those chapters, and for local alumni who volunteer their time on an independent basis to assist a collegiate chapter and its associated collegiate members. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. provides education through conferences, written materials, and periodic consultant visits to collegiate chapters. Staff visits result in advisory recommendations for chapter operations. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. strives through these educational efforts to enhance life skills, leadership skills, and ethical traits for those who take advantage of these educational opportunities and to assist through education and consultant recommendations the success of chapters associated with it.

No chapter of and no member of any chapter or affiliate group of Alpha Sigma Phi is an agent of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. No chapter and no member of any chapter have been appointed as an agent of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc.



(Article X, Section 2.) Chapter Operations: Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. is not involved in the day-to-day activities of a chapter. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. does not and cannot control or supervise the day-to-day operations or activities of a chapter.

Each collegiate chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. is a self-governing, financially self-sufficient association comprised of students of the institution at which they are enrolled. [Each affiliate group of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. is a self-governing, financially self-sufficient association comprised of alumni members residing in a specific geographic location.] Under the Constitution and By-laws, each collegiate chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. selects and initiates its own members, elects its own officers, establishes its own rules, operates and determines its methods of operation, and governs its own affairs, subject only to those rules and operations being in harmony with the policies, Constitution, and By-laws of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. The autonomy of a collegiate chapter in organizing, determining, and conducting its own operations through a democracy is part of an educational process, which association with the chapter adds to collegiate life and to the development and refining of life skills.

If a collegiate chapter's operations are not in harmony with the policies, Constitution and By-laws of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. has the right after the fact to determine whether that chapter will continue to be recognized by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. as a chapter associated with it. In some situations, after an action by a chapter has occurred that is not in harmony with the policies or Constitution and By-laws of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc., a "not in good standing" status may be implemented for the chapter by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. In "not in good standing" situations, the chapter continues to be a self-governing, financially self-sufficient association of collegiate students. If a chapter ceases to be recognized by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity as a chapter associated with it, but that group of collegiate students nonetheless continues its operations, they do so without any affiliation with Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. does not have the right to suspend or affect the membership status of a collegiate student associated with a chapter other than in those situations and in accordance with the procedures specifically set forth in the Constitution of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

