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A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY SENATE TO RECOMMEND THAT ALL TYPES OF FUTURE GREEK CHAPTER HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS BE FULLY COMPLIANT WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

WHEREAS, The University of Mississippi Creed states that all students should "...believe in fairness and civility" (University of Mississippi, n.d.);

WHEREAS, The University of Mississippi Accessibility Statement declares that "The University of Mississippi is committed to the provision of reasonable accommodations and modifications to university students with disabilities" ("The University of Mississippi");

WHEREAS, we believe that this fairness should be extended from all communities on campus, including Greek, to all students;

WHEREAS, there are certain Greek chapter houses on campus that are not fully ADA compliant;

WHEREAS, this could prevent a student with a disability from joining a certain chapter due to lack of accessibility inside or outside the house;

WHEREAS, Greek chapter houses can be exempt from ADA compliance due to being categorized as "private clubs" (Acree);

WHEREAS, research has suggested that the University of Mississippi continues to categorize all Greek chapters on campus as "private";

WHEREAS, we recognize that the Associated Student Body cannot legally enforce ADA compliance given that Greek chapter housing does receive private status in the act;

WHEREAS, we recognize that there is a threshold of reasonableness for accommodations in which a public university is only legally binded to follow them if they do not pass said threshold ("Disability Discrimination");

WHEREAS, we believe that accommodations that would allow a student with disabilities to become a member of any Greek chapter should not pass said threshold;

WHEREAS, we still stand by the University of Mississippi Creed and the University of Mississippi Accessibility Statement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY SENATE RECOMMENDS THAT IN ORDER TO PROMOTE "FAIRNESS AND CIVILITY" FOR ALL STUDENTS, ALL FUTURE GREEK CHAPTER HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BE FULLY COMPLIANT WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

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