# **Resolution #GCC21-16 Governance During Crisis**

#### **WHEREAS**

The supreme governing body of the Fraternity shall be known as the Grand Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

#### **WHEREAS**

When such Grand Chapter is not in session the supreme authority shall be vested in a National Board of Directors which shall take any and all actions necessary and proper for carrying out the objectives of the Fraternity; and

# **WHEREAS**

The members of the National Board of Directors are selected following the written procedures outlined in Article IV, Sections 25-34 of the Grand Chapter Bylaws; and

#### WHEREAS

The current written procedures outlined in Article IV, Sections 25-34 of the Grand Chapter Bylaws require a Conclave to occur every two years; and

## **WHEREAS**

If a Conclave is unable to take place, there is no guidance in the current written governance procedures during the period of time until a Conclave can be held; therefore be it

## RESOLVED

That the procedures for nomination and election of Grand Chapter officers and directors outlined in Article IV, Sections 25-34 of the Grand Chapter Bylaws be amended to include an additional section titled Section 35; and be it

#### RESOLVED

That Article IV, Section 35, be amended to read as follows (strikethrough indicates removal of text; *italics* indicates new text, paragraphs will be renumbered as necessary):

**Section 35.** In the case that a Grand Chapter Conclave is unable to be held, the National Board of Directors elected through the prior Conclave's nomination and election process will remain vested with the supreme authority which allows them to take any and all actions necessary and proper for carrying out the objectives of the Fraternity. The extension of this supreme authority remains in place only until the Grand Chapter Conclave can be held at which time the nomination and election process can be conducted by the procedures outlined in Article IV in the Grand Chapter Bylaws.

Committee: Bylaws Purple Committee

Committee Recommends: Pass as Amended

Grand Chapter Action: Pass

Ryan Ware, Chairman, Bylaws Purple Committee 57th Grand Chapter Conclave - Denver, Colorado - July 28 - 31, 2021