

A RESOLUTION OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY, SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION ON CAMPUS FOR NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS: The National Pan-Hellenic Council was founded on May 10, 1930 and is the umbrella organization for nine historically black fraternities and sororities that consist of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., and Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc., and

WHEREAS: For over 50 years, universities across the United States have established the tradition of providing gathering spaces, referred to as plots that are designed to symbolically and physically represent each historically black Greek-lettered organization within the National Pan-Hellenic Council, while giving alumni and current members an area for reflection, celebration, and gathering, and

WHEREAS: National Pan-Hellenic Council utilizes plots as a representation of their belonging to college and university campuses across the nation and can be traced to the division of Confederate land after the end of the Civil War for homestead development. These plots are used to create a positive environment for National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations to promote their sororities and fraternities while educating students about the history of these diverse organizations, and

WHEREAS: Northern Kentucky University is a predominantly white university and the development of plots would grant National Pan-Hellenic organizations on our campus the opportunity to celebrate their achievements while paying homage to their traditions and the history of their organizations, and

WHEREAS: There are several locations on campus that should be considered when deciding where these plots should be developed. Some of the potential locations include the nine trees in the plaza outside the Student Union, the open area surrounding Loch Norse, the landscaping between the University Center and the Mathematics, Education, and Psychology building, and the open plaza behind Nunn Hall. The location that is selected should be an easily recognizable location on campus that gives reverence to the history and accomplishments of these organizations, and

WHEREAS: Due to the cultural significance of this installation on campus it should be exclusive to National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations, and

WHEREAS: The funding for the plots will be provided by each National Pan-Hellenic Council organization with little to no cost to the university. The materials that will be utilized for the development of the plots will be determined through design discussions with administration and all materials considered will be eco-friendly and not damaging to the surrounding areas, and

WHEREAS: Any maintenance that would be required to ensure these plots remain in optimal condition will be provided by each National Pan-Hellenic Council organization through monthly maintenance days during which they will do whatever necessary to ensure the plots are in their best condition, and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, ON THIS FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019 THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY SUPPORTS THE CREATION OF PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION ON CAMPUS FOR NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC ORGANIZATIONS

Signed: _____

Jarett Sterling Lopez, President

Attest: _____

Noelle Brooks, University Improvements Committee Chairwoman

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