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### NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

WHEREAS, Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. believes that single-gender organizations are intimate associations that develop the character of an individual by:

- PROVIDING students with campus organizations that provide an intimate, family-like structure;
- OFFERING A CHOICE to men to pursue men's college fraternity and to women to pursue women's college fraternities;
- OFFERING FULL MEMBERSHIP to men and women in their respective single-gender organizations;
- PROVIDING a focus on scholarship, personal development, trust, mutual assistance and friendships;
- OPENING membership with no discriminatory clauses related to race, creed, national origin, or sexual preference;
- ALLOWING the chapter and candidate an opportunity for mutual agreement on membership;
- ALLOWING the members of these private organizations to identify their friends without restraint; and

WHEREAS, Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. believes men's and women's fraternities offer excellent opportunities for men and women to share a fraternal experience; and

WHEREAS, women's fraternities, commonly referred to as sororities, are consistent with the concept and philosophy of separate and equal women's fraternities; and

WHEREAS, Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. supports the North American Interfraternity Conference and National Panhellenic Conference in their Resolution on Single-Sex Fraternities; and

WHEREAS, fraternities and sororities have the right under the United States Constitution and civil rights laws to exist as single-gender organizations and to maintain that status, especially under the First and Fourteenth Amendments; and



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WHEREAS, Title IX of the Educational Amendment of 1972 provides that sexual discrimination shall not apply to membership practices of:

- a. A social fraternity or social sorority that is exempt from taxation under section 501 (a) of the IRS Code of 1954, the active membership of which consists primarily of students in attendance at an institution of higher education, or
- b. Voluntary youth service organizations, including but not limited to YMCAs, YWCAs, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, which are so exempt, the membership of which has traditionally been limited to persons of one sex, and

WHEREAS, the courts of the United States have recognized both a right of intimate association and a right of expressive association, rights that may be invoked by fraternities and sororities; and

WHEREAS, Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. and several fraternities and sororities have taken a position on single-gender membership in the Constitution by the acceptance of entirely male or female members;

BE IT RESOLVED, Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. asserts its right to confine their membership to men. Lambda Theta Phi has a right to exist as single-gender organization, grow and to enjoy its right of intimate association.

Resolution adopted by the 2006 - 2008 National Executive Board.