

**Theta Delta Chi Fraternity**  
Statement of Policy on Open Expansion and Recruitment  
Approved by the Grand Lodge April 29, 2023  
Approved by the 176<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of Theta Delta Chi, August 3, 2023

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges advocate a model of year-round unrestricted recruitment, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believe the term “rush” has become associated with a time-specific effort to attract new members to Charge or expansion group that is passive in nature, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believe, as a smaller fraternity, that the size of a fraternity is not indicative of its ability to administer an expansion project, and

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges believe expansion is important to rejuvenating the fraternal movement;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi and its Charges that the following policies be formally adopted by consent of the 176<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention:

- (1) The Charges and expansion groups move from a rush model to a recruitment model based on an unrestricted, year-round commitment to actively seeking prospective members who share our commitment to fraternal values, including scholarship, leadership, and responsible social life.
- (2) The Grand Lodge and its Charges agree to support a policy of open expansion.
- (3) The Grand Lodge and its Charges call on-campus fraternity advisors and IFC leaders to implement a recruitment model that provides unrestricted opportunities for students to join fraternities and adopt an open expansion policy.