Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity, Inc. 2024 Grand Conclave Constitution and Laws Committee

Proposal No. 24.04

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution to make a minor clarifying amendment, to correct errors in the Constitution, and a grant of authority to the Board of Directors to correct any typographical, grammatical, or other non-substantial errors in the Constitution and to re-number any sections as may be appropriate after the amendment process.

The Constitution and Laws Committee hereby recommends that the following technical amendments be made to the Constitution of the Fraternity (deletions in strike through; additions underlined):

1. To amend Article XII, Section 1, paragraph E by striking the word "Implantation" and replacing it with the words "Effective Date."

Additionally, the Board of Directors is hereby granted the authority to make any non-substantial changes to the Constitution solely for the purposes of (1) correcting typographical errors, (2) correcting grammatical errors, (3) correcting errors in punctuation, (4) correcting any other non-substantial errors in the text of the Constitution, and (5) to re-number any sections as may be necessary after the amendment process.

Further, it is hereby RESOLVED that the Board of Directors shall compile, approve, and submit the revised Constitution and Laws to the Headquarters staff within thirty-one days of the adjournment of the House of Delegates, and upon receipt thereof, Headquarters shall place the newly-revised Constitution and Laws on the Fraternity website within fourteen days of its receipt from the Board of Directors.

Note on rationale for this legislation:

- 1. The word "implantation" is used confusingly and incorrectly in the context of this paragraph, and is edited to "effective date" to clarify the meaning of the paragraph.
- Minor errors are often created or identified by the amendment process, and sections often need to be renumbered after the amendment process. This provision gives the Board of Directors the explicit authority (which has been implied in the past) to make any such corrections without the necessity of sending the matter back to the House of Delegates.
- 3. The final provision is included to ensure the newly-revised Constitution and Laws is timely placed on the Fraternity's website.

This legislation was originally proposed by the Board of Directors.

Passage of this legislation requires an affirmative three-quarters vote of the House of

Delegates. Ten minutes have been allocated for the discussion of Proposal 24.04