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Resolution 4-19-F: Resolution to Support the disciplinary action, up to their suspension in WKU Greek Affairs, against the Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support the disciplinary action, up to their suspension in WKU Greek Affairs, against the Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta

WHEREAS: Members of the Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta were videoed saying a racial slur at a party. The video was not only uploaded online personally by a member of Alpha Xi Delta, but a student at another University posted it to social media, and

WHEREAS: Alpha Xi Delta's actions violate the WKU Student Code of Conduct (13. Harassment. Any physical, behavioral or verbal abuse of a person based upon gender, race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sexual orientation, marital status, age, uniform service, veteran status, or physical or mental disability...). The Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta will not be allowed to receive SGA funding according to the Non-Discrimination Clause, Section 6.3 of the Bylaws of the WKU Student Government Association, and

WHEREAS: Western Kentucky University has a history of racism happening in not only Greek Organizations, but multiple acts of overt racism on campus (2016 a professor and student given notes with racial slurs, 1970 basketball coach getting threats for having a black player), as well as poor university ratings on racial equity (per University of Southern California Race and Equity Center). There is now video evidence of the overt racism that is happening, and Western Kentucky University Administration has decided to not take action and not to protect minority students, and

WHEREAS: Other universities such as American University (issued a statement condoning behavior), UA Little Rock (suspended activity in events) and Miami University (removal out of sorority). The disciplinary action, up to suspension in WKU Greek Affairs of the Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta would indicate the university's commitment to diversity and inclusion of minority students, and

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University supports the disciplinary action, up to their suspension in WKU Greek Affairs from Western Kentucky University's campus, against the Epsilon Kappa chapter of Alpha Xi Delta.

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