

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
Pledge to end the Culture of Hazing
All Concerned Citizens are invited to join with us and sign!

Today, I commit myself to the national effort to eradicate hazing and a hazing culture from our communities. Hazing – any action taken or situation created that intentionally or unintentionally causes mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule for persons attempting to join an organization or group – is perpetuating a shadow culture of violence and injustice that is causing physical and emotional harm to individuals, devastating families and destroying the reputations of proud organizations that have rich traditions of providing leadership and service.

Today, I pledge not to engage in any activities that constitute or could be interpreted as hazing.

I pledge to educate myself, my family and friends about hazing and the negative consequences the hazing culture inflicts on our community. I will promise to learn how to identify the types of acts that constitute hazing and find out what I can do to combat hazing when I see it.

Once I have educated myself about hazing and the negative affects it has on families and victims, I will not keep this information to myself.

I pledge to communicate and pass on this information to any potential aspirants to organizations and to all concerned persons in my community. I will let everyone know that hazing is a crime and that it needs to be stopped. I will report any suspicion of hazing activities to administrators at schools, colleges and universities, leaders of community organizations and members of law enforcement so that perpetrators of these illegal acts can be dealt with accordingly.

And lastly, **I pledge to participate** in hazing awareness programs and anti-hazing activities whenever I can to help eradicate this menace from our communities. I will actively support the development of training programs and the distribution of support materials intended to alert families about the dangers of hazing. And I will stand in support of any movement or legislation that will help bring hazing to an end.

Sworn on _____ month _____ day, of _____ year

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