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PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY

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Dear Brothers:

It is estimated that 4,300 members of Phi Kappa Psi are now in the armed services. You will realize this means that 90 per cent of the personnel of our active chapters have left the campus. In fact, those 4300 Brothers in service represent about 25 per cent of our living members.

However, it is the aim of the remaining 10 per cent of our undergraduates on the campuses and of the officers of the Fraternity to carry on our chapters, maintain their organizations, preserve their chapter house properties and put Phi Kappa Psi in a position of greater strength than ever when the war is over.

In this emergency we have to depend more than ever upon our active and interested alumni Brothers. By emergency legislation passed at the Des Moines Grand Arch Council, it has been possible to appoint alumni committees to function as active chapters with all necessary authority to hold chapter meetings, to pledge and to initiate. Such alumni groups are actively functioning at Minnesota Beta, New York Beta, West Virginia Alpha, Virginia Alpha and Pennsylvania Iota. We urge the formation of more similar committees to help and cooperate with remaining undergraduates on the campus.

You have been placed upon a list of about 1,000 key alumni of Phi Kappa Psi. It is our aim to regularly furnish you with information as to the development of the existing emergency situation in our chapters, to keep you informed as to the actions taken by the officers of the Fraternity, and to urgently request your aid in working with and helping your own active chapter. We have a great obligation to return our chapters to the boys in service in the same strong condition that they were in when they left the campus for the greater work ahead of them.

Fraternally yours,

President.

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