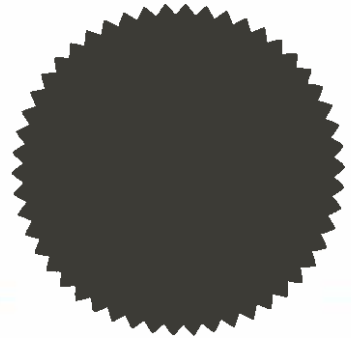


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**BILL #5021
Establishment of the MGC Disassociation Caucus**

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SPONSORED BY:

WRITTEN BY: Lizzy Osterhoudt, Senator, Native American Cultural

Center **COLLABORATED WITH:** Jennifer Gutierrez, President, Pi Lambda

Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.

ENDORSED BY: Reneé Lopez, Sister, Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.; Marlis Hazelton, Chair, Internal Affairs Committee; Kyle Hill, Senator, Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Yuri, Vice President, Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority, Inc.; Julia Garcia, Co-Membership Educator and Rush Chair, Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority, Inc.; Jilda Nevarez, Philanthropy Chair, Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority, Inc.; Ariadne Athey, Senator, Student Disability Center; Brandon Lowry, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Cindy Trinh, Senator; Pride Resource Center; Mia Ritter, Associate Senator, Native American Cultural Center; Ava McCall, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Jackson Hunter, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Ben Torres Doxey, Senator, Asian Pacific American Cultural Center; University Affairs Committee

ABSTRACT: This bill seeks to establish the MGC Disassociation Caucus. The purpose of this caucus is to hold members within the Multicultural Greek Council and beyond accountable; by means of proposing educational requirements in relation to interpersonal violence and suggested accountability steps in a given situation. As well as create an open dialogue between members of the community to seek growth and change.

WHEREAS

For years, accountability and justice have not been met to the survivors of interpersonal violence and harassment within Fraternity and Sorority Life at CSU; and,

WHEREAS

There are no requirements for Sororities or Fraternities to participate and complete Title IX training, despite rampant sexual misconduct within these organizations; and,

WHEREAS

The continuous cases of interpersonal violence, such as sexual assault and harassment, have continued to increase without any repercussions on the predator. However, the survivor is met with gaslighting, and injustice from FSL life; and,

WHEREAS

On December 18, 2020 , the Delta chapter of Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc. had released a statement declaring the dissociation of all fraternities within the FSL community at CSU; and,

WHEREAS

The statement declared the dissociation from all fraternities until they meet the following guidelines: Publicly condemn the fraternities, including one's own, for the actions that have been committed related to interpersonal violence and allegations presented this summer, Attend/create accountability workshops in which members are taught of different ways to do so such as calling each other in, Professionally educate members surrounding interpersonal violence (80% chapter members attend interpersonal violence prevention programming sponsored by the Multicultural Greek Council and the Women and Gender Advocacy Center,) Contact campuses FSL and MGC offices to further discuss what steps need to be taken externally and internally, Participate in the spring semester WS495: Fraternity and Sorority Students Against Sexual Assault; and,

WHEREAS

The following sororities have signed the statement of disassociation in solidarity: • Epsilon Chapter of Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
• Alpha Chapter of Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
• Theta Chapter of Alpha Phi Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
• Kappa Alpha Chapter of Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. •
Gamma Chapter of Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority, Inc.
• Beta Eta Chapter of Kappa Delta Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.

All signatures of solidarity were published with the original statement by the Delta Chapter of Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc. on December 18, 2020; and,

WHEREAS

It is the duty of members within Greek life to strive for excellence and champion leadership throughout our community. We must hold each other and ourselves accountable for our actions and stand up for those whose voices have been silenced; and,

WHEREAS

The creation of this caucus will allow organizations within Fraternity and Sorority Life in CSU to continue to push for justice. Thus, allowing the community to come together to fight the inequity within sororities and fraternities at CSU's campus; and,

WHEREAS

Bill 5009: Codifying Caucuses, gives the opportunity to create a new caucus through a bill that must be co-authored by a member of ASCSU. This legislation does meet the requirement stipulated in the legislation previously mentioned; and,

WHEREAS

Bill 5009: Codifying Caucuses, states a purpose must be pertinent to issues on campus and in a public open forum. This caucus will fight the injustice survivors face and to end the generational history of interpersonal violence within FSL; so,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ENACTED

That the Fiftieth Senate of ASCSU establish the MGC Disassociation Caucus as a standing caucus to create progress and give voices to those who have been silenced from interpersonal violence within Fraternity and Sorority Life at CSU; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That the MGC Disassociation Caucus three founding members will be: Lizzy Osterhoudt, Jennifer Gutierrez, and Jilda Nevarez; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That the MGC Disassociation Caucus end date will be indefinite. The caucus will face renewal at the end of each academic year; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That the MGC Disassociation Caucus will be held to the ASCSU Constitution, ASCSU Code of Ethics, and the requirements within Bill: 5009 Codifying Caucuses; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Joyce McConnell, Colorado State University President; and Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; Yulissa Chavez, President, Multicultural Greek Council; Hannah Taylor, President, ASCSU;

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