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To the Brothers of SC Gamma,

On behalf of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, it is with regret that I announce the temporary suspension of operations for the South Carolina Gamma chapter at Clemson University.

The General Council, the Fraternity's governing board, carefully considered all options and voted to place the chapter in escrow. The decision to end operations is the result of violations of Fraternity and University risk management policies. Chapter operations will be discontinued until return efforts begin in Spring 2026. While this decision is unfortunate, it also represents a commitment to the preservation of a long-term future for Phi Delta Theta at Clemson University.

During this period, which no doubt invokes strong feelings, the General Headquarters wants to ensure that you feel as connected to Phi Delta Theta as ever. We highly encourage you to join a local Alumni Club to remain engaged with the Fraternity. We also have a social initiative called First Thursdays with the Phis, a monthly gathering at over seventy locations across the US and Canada, where you can network with fellow Phis and learn of other engagement initiatives. You may also find interest in opportunities for members and alumni to assist families who are impacted by ALS through the Live Like Lou Foundation, Phi Delta Theta's Philanthropic partner. You can learn more about these programs and more on our website at https://phideltatheta.org/join/locate-phi-delt/.

When rebuilding efforts begin, we hope to create the best scenario for the future of Phi Delta Theta. The effort will be a collaboration between the University, general Fraternity, and alumni like yourself to rebuild the overall operations of the chapter. Once eligible for return to Clemson, Phi Delta Theta alumni and headquarters staff will hand-select a group of young men to rebuild South Carolina Gamma.

The South Carolina Gamma chapter has had strong financial support through generous donations to the Phi Delta Theta Foundation. During this dormant period, these resources will continue to grow and will provide resources for a new generation of Phis upon our return to Clemson.

Our primary goal has been to preserve the long-term success of the South Carolina Gamma chapter. We are pleased that the university and Phi Delta Theta have been able to establish a partnership for the return of a healthy chapter. As we continue these return efforts, our team will be sure to keep in contact and engage the South Carolina Gamma alumni base as we rebuild this storied chapter.





Please feel free to contact me at ewolfzorn@phideltatheta.org with questions regarding this decision.

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