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Mr. Larson:

The University has been closely involved with the Acacia Alumni Task Force and Board of Directors over the past two years as they have developed a vision and plan for implementing a new concept for the operation of Acacia Fraternity at Kansas State University.

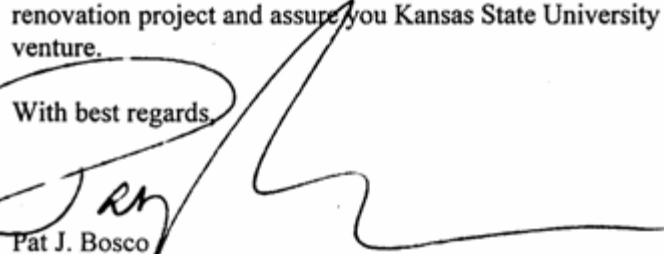
A key element of their planning process has been to build the concept of Acacia as a direct extension of the educational mission statement of Kansas State University. This deliberate interconnection between the University mission statement and Acacia Fraternity may prove to provide thoughtful reflection on the part of other fraternities as to their role in furthering the educational experiences of their undergraduate members.

Since its beginning at Kansas State University in 1913, Acacia has been a strong, contributing fraternity to the Greek system and the University. Many of its members have been recognized on campus as a number of prominent facilities have been named for Acacia alumni.

The University appreciates the contributions of the Greek system to the educational mission of the University and considers the members of these organizations to be important citizens of the University community. Fraternities and sororities provide a direct channel for the University's goal of academic achievements, intellectual responsibility, and collective group decision making. The Greek system at Kansas State is a key component of our educational program and these organizations carry a strong allegiance to the University. We are intensely interested in the prospect of Acacia fulfilling the vision and mission as it has outlined for its future at Kansas State University. If successful, it will clearly be a model for a group housing fulfillment of the leadership concepts which have become a major component of our University leadership minors study program. The recognition of the University for the value of leadership training is represented by its formal institutional curriculum. Our leadership studies faculty have indicated an interest in working closely with Acacia alumni as they develop this undergraduate chapter concept.

For these and other reasons, I laud the efforts of the alumni leadership of Acacia in initiating this ambitious renovation project and assure you Kansas State University is providing its full approval and support for this venture.

With best regards,



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