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NALFO Declares Four Year Moratorium

Tempe, AZ October 5, 2005- The Nation's leading Latino fraternal umbrella organization entitled, The National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO) declared a four-year moratorium as of October 2, 2005 after current member organizations raised concerns about the lack of resources available to Latino fraternal organizations.

NALFO member organizations voted to impose the moratorium for a minimum of two years in an effort to redirect the umbrella organization's focus away from expansion and toward internal development initiatives that will help strengthen NALFO as an umbrella organization for its current membership, first and foremost.

NALFO is a young organization lead by an interfraternal board and delegates from around the country who work together to amplify resources for members and their respective communities through interfraternal events and councils.

While NALFO has managed to serve some member needs, proponents of the moratorium maintain that the umbrella organization needs to implement a strategic restructuring to because it is at risk of folding under the pressures of a growing Latino fraternal community that has been met by increased restrictions and dwindling external support.

Julio Marengo of Lambda Theta Phi Fraternity Incorporated, proposed the moratorium and when asked why, he responded: "Abraham Lincoln once said 'You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today.' No group today understands demonstrates an understanding of this more clearly than the members of NALFO who have decided to make their ship stronger today, so that they may help their constituency sail further tomorrow."

About NALFO

NALFO (National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations) is an umbrella council for Latino Greek Letter Organizations. The purpose of NALFO is to promote and foster positive interfraternal relations, communication, and development of all Latino Fraternal organizations through mutual respect, leadership, honesty, professionalism and education. Established in 1998, NALFO has 24 member organizations from across the United States. We meet bi-annually for Conventions and to conduct Business Meetings. For more information please visit the NALFO website at www.nalfo.org

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