# National Residence Hall Honorary

#### PREAMBLE

We, the members of the National Residence Hall Honorary, as the honorary branch of the National Association of College and University Residence Halls, Incorporated (NACURH), in order to recognize individuals who contribute outstanding service and who provide important leadership in the advancement of residence hall systems; and to maintain a commitment to scholastic achievement; do hereby ordain and establish these bylaws.

### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of this organization shall be the National Residence Hall Honorary, hereinafter referred to as the NRHH.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### NRHH VALUES

NRHH is a leadership-based honorary comprised of exemplary residential students who value recognition and service.

#### ARTICLE III

#### CHAPTER AFFILIATION

1. Membership of NRHH shall consist of chapters from colleges and universities, which remain active in this association by:

- a. Having NACURH affiliation fees on record
- b. Submitting a Chapter Affiliation Form
- c. Submitting a Membership List
- d. Remaining financially solvent with NACURH
- 2. Chapters shall be granted good standing upon completion of affiliation responsibilities and shall be entitled to one (1) vote at any regular or special meeting of the Honorary, or on any question that may arise as put forward by the NACURH NRHH Board of Directors.
- Chapter re-affiliation shall be completed on a yearly basis and will consist of the processes as outlined in § III.1 of these bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

- There shall be four kinds of NRHH Membership: Candidate Membership, OnCampus Membership, Off-Campus Membership, and Lifelong Membership.
- 2. The total membership of a chapter includes on and off campus members.
  - To be inducted as a member of an NRHH Chapter, Candidate Members must meet the following requirements:
    - i. Have lived in on-campus housing

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for at least one academic term 1. The academic term and definition of on-campus housing are defined by the affiliated institution.

- ii. Have exhibited outstanding leadership and service to the residence life community
- iii. Have finished new member education
- iv. Be a student in good standing, as defined by the affiliated institution and chapter.
- Membership selection procedures shall be prescribed in chapter constitutions.
- 4. Anyone who leaves the chapter and institution in institutional good standing and meets the chapter's requirements for membership for life would become a Lifelong Member.

### ARTICLE V

#### NRHH BUSINESS MEETINGS

- 1. Meetings of the NACURH NRHH Board of Directors
  - a. The NACURH NRHH Board of Directors

(hereinafter referred to as the NNBD) shall have four (4) regular meetings for the purpose of conducting corporate business. Two (2) meetings shall be held during NACURH Semi-Annual Business Meeting and the NACURH Annual Business Meeting.

- b. One (1) meeting shall be held during the Fall and one (1) meeting shall be held during the Spring. At least one of the meetings occurring during the Fall and one of the meetings occurring during the Spring shall be referred to as the quarterly meetings.
- c. Quorum for all meetings of the NNBD shall be defined as a simple majority (50%+1) of the Associate Directors for National Residence Hall Honorary (Associate Directors for NRHH) or their designee.
- 2. Special meetings of the NACURH NRHH Board of Directors
  - a. Special meetings may be called by the following procedures:
    - i. By the request of the NACURH Associate for NRHH
    - ii. By a signed petition of twenty-five (25) percent of all representatives of Chapters in good standing.

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- iii. By half of the voting members of the NNBD.
- b. Submission of the signed petition, and request by half of the voting members shall be made to the NACURH Associate for NRHH and the NACURH NRHH Advisor.
- c. All special meetings of the NNBD shall occur no sooner than one (1) week and no later than two (2) weeks following the receipt of any of the three procedures as outlined above.
- d. All members (non-voting and voting) of the NNBD shall be notified of the time and format of the special meeting within two (2) days following the submission of either the signed petition or request by half of the voting members.
- 3. Public Access to Meetings
  - a. All meetings of the NNBD shall be open to chapters in good standing.
  - b. Procedures for public meetings shall be outlined in the NACURH NRHH Policy Book.
  - c. The NNBD reserves the right to enter executive session upon a simple majority vote of the members of the NNBD.
- 4. Corporate Business Meeting

- a. The NRHH Corporate Business Meeting will be held during the NACURH Annual Conference. The Corporate Business Meeting will consist of the NNBD reporting on the status of the Honorary and discuss business of the Honorary. Chapter representatives will be expected to vote on proposed bylaw changes previously passed by the NNBD.
- b. Quorum for the Corporate Business Meeting will be defined as forty (40) percent of chapters in good standing.

### **ARTICLE VI**

#### GOVERNANCE

 The authority of the NRHH shall be vested in the NACURH NRHH Board of Directors hereinafter referred to as the NNBD.

### ARTICLE VII

### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

- The officers of NRHH shall be the NACURH Associate for National Residence Hall Honorary (NAN), the NACURH Associate for Engagement (NAE) and the NACURH NRHH Advisor.
- 2. Duties of the NACURH Associate for NRHH:

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- a. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall oversee the business of NRHH and shall report business to the NACURH Executive Committee
- b. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall assist and support the NNBD.
- c. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall preside at the meetings of the NRHH and the NNBD.
- d. The NACURH Associate for NRHH has the authority to call meetings on behalf of NRHH and the NNBD.
- e. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall oversee the NACURH Of-The-Month (OTM) process and the NACURH OTM Committee.
- f. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall be responsible for the implementation of any policies and measures of the NNBD.
- 3. Duties of the NACURH Associate for Engagement
  - a. The NACURH Associate for Engagement shall support the business of NRHH in conjunction with the NACURH Associate for NRHH.
  - b. In the event of a vacancy in the NACURH Associate for NRHH role, the NACURH Associate for

Engagement shall serve in an interim capacity depending on vacancy processes determined by the NACURH Chairperson.

- c. The NACURH Associate for Engagement shall serve as the interpreter of the NACURH NRHH Governing Documents.
- d. The NACURH Associate for Engagement has the authority to call meetings on behalf of NRHH and the NNBD.
- e. The NACURH Associate for Engagement will be responsible for the taking of minutes and the distribution of the minutes to the NNBD.
- 4. Duties of the NACURH NRHH Advisor:
  - a. Shall serve as advisor on NACURH and NRHH matters and as a liaison to advisors within NACURH.
  - b. Shall verify all votes of the NNBD and NRHH Corporate Business Meeting.
  - c. Shall serve on or chair any task forces as outlined by the NACURH and NRHH Policy Books.
  - d. Shall support NNBD Leadership in formal and informal spaces; including advising NNBD.

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### ARTICLE VIII

#### NACURH NRHH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- The voting membership of the NNBD shall consist of the Associate Directors for National Residence Hall Honorary (hereinafter referred to as ADNRHH).
- 2. The non-voting membership of the NNBD shall consist of a representative from the NACURH Corporate Office and the NACURH Annual Conference NBD Liaison.
- 3. The ex-officio non-voting members of the NNBD shall consist of the NACURH Associate for NRHH, the NACURH Associate for Engagement, the NACURH NRHH Advisor, and the Past NACURH Associate for NRHH.
- 4. The terms of office for voting members of the NNBD shall be determined by these bylaws and the Charter provisions of each regional affiliate. Terms of office for non-voting and ex-officio NNBD members shall be for one (1) year commencing on the day following the close of the NACURH Annual Conference except:
  - a. The NACURH NRHH Advisor, who shall have a minimum four (4) year term.

- 5. The NNBD shall be empowered to determine general policies of the NRHH.
- 6. The NACURH Associate for NRHH shall be responsible for determining the appropriate replacement for any vacancy on the NNBD, with the exception of Regional Officers, caused by death, resignation, or other inability to serve.
- The NNBD shall maintain two standing committees tasked with the improvement of the Honorary open to members of NACURH Leadership and NRHH members in good standing.

### ARTICLE IX

ELIGIBILITY & RESPONSIBILITY OF THE NACURH NRHH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. To remain eligible for the NACURH NRHH Board of Directors, a student must:
  - a. Be an on-campus or off-campus member of an affiliated NRHH Chapter in good standing.
    - i. This requirement is waived for the non-voting members of the NNBD.
  - b. Be selected by their respective region before the Annual NACURH Conference.
  - c. Be duly elected or appointed by these bylaws

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and/or each regional charter.

- d. Read and sign a copy of the Corporate Liability Form, which is to be turned in to the NACURH Associate for Operations within thirty (30) days of the NACURH Annual Conference;
- 2. Responsibilities of the NNBD shall include but are not limited to:
  - a. Set goals for NRHH.
  - b. Be responsible for the recruitment and retention of chapters.
  - c. Approve chapter constitutions for the purpose of affiliations.
  - d. Maintain the NRHH bylaws and policy book.
  - e. Be responsible for maintaining, updating, and creating NRHH resources
  - f. Assist the NACURH Board of Directors in the election of the NAN.
  - g. Perform duties assigned to them by the NACURH Executives.
  - h. Maintain regular communication with:
    - All regional member institutions and chapters
    - ii. The NACURH Associate for NRHH
    - iii. The NNBD

## ARTICLE X

#### GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

- 1. The policy book of NRHH shall be established to further define policies and procedures pertaining to the NRHH.
- 2. Proposed bylaw changes must be presented in writing to the NRHH Representatives at least 24 hours before the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting.
- 3. The NAN shall have the ability to prepare and distribute email legislation to the voting members of the NNBD for their consideration and disposition in accordance with the NRHH policy book
- 4. All changes to the Policy Book shall be reported at the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting to the NRHH representatives and reported in the NACURH Corporate Report.

## ARTICLE XI

## NRHH REPRESENTATIVES

- Affiliated chapters shall select an NRHH Representative who shall serve as a liaison between NRHH on the NACURH, Regional, and Campus levels.
- 2. The NRHH Representative shall be responsible for submitting materials required for affiliations purposes.
- 3. The NRHH Representative shall have the right to vote on NRHH business as prescribed by governing documents during

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regional and NRHH business meetings.

- 4. The NRHH Representative must be a voting member or Executive Board member of their NRHH Chapter.
  - a. An exception may be granted if the outgoing NRHH Representative graduated within the last three months and is serving as the voting representative at the NACURH Annual Conference.

### **ARTICLE XII**

#### AMENDMENTS & RATIFICATION

- 1. No changes in the bylaws may occur by phone, electronic communication, or mail ballots
- 2. Any member of the Honorary in good standing and whose chapter is in good standing may propose amendments to these Bylaws to be heard by the NNBD. All amendments proposed must be heard by the NNBD no later than 72 hours prior to the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting.
- These Bylaws may be amended by the NNBD upon a two-thirds (2/3) approving vote of those present. All Amendments shall take effect upon the same concurrence by a quorum of the NRHH Representatives at the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting or other Special Meeting of the Honorary.

- 4. All amendments to these Bylaws approved by the NNBD shall be presented to the NRHH Representatives at least 48 hours prior to the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting.
  - a. All proposed amendments to these Bylaws approved by the NNBD shall be brought to the floor and heard during the NRHH Corporate Business Meeting.
- 5. Amendments to these bylaws will become effective immediately upon adoption.
- Ratification of these bylaws will become effective immediately after a two-thirds (2/3) vote by the NNBD, and majority vote by NRHH Representatives.