PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING PD 8-1988-1

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SUBJECT: Hazing by University Organizations

- 1. <u>General Information</u>. The University of Wyoming is committed to a safe and secure environment for its students. For this reason, the University prohibits any act or failure to act which constitutes hazing.
- 2. Purpose. The directive below outlines the University's policy related to hazing.

3. Definitions.

- a. "Hazing" is defined as any intentional or unintentional act that would endanger the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging or associating with, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, seeking and/or maintaining membership in any organization whose membership consists primarily of students. Such activities and situations include, but are not limited to, paddling in any form; creating excessive fatigue; physical and mental shocks; forced road trips; forced consumption of any substance, including alcohol; requirements to publicly wear apparel which is conspicuous and not normally in good taste; engaging in public stunts or buffoonery; morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; and any other activities prohibited by law, University regulation, and/or University policy.
- b. For the purpose of this policy, "organization" is defined as an intercollegiate or intramural athletic team; recognized student organization; association, order, society or similar group that is officially affiliated with the University and whose membership consists primarily of enrolled students.
- 4. <u>Policy</u>. Hazing is prohibited regardless of location, intent, or consent of participants and will not be tolerated. Hazing is a violation of UW Regulation 8-30 (Student Conduct) and will be addressed in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Student Code of Conduct.
- 5. <u>Responsibility</u>. The Dean of Students, or designee, is responsible for the administration of this Policy and Directive.

Approved

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