



Alpha Rho Chi

National Professional Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts

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Dear Brothers,

As the national and global response to the senseless killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, and countless others has evolved, the Grand Council has struggled with how best to express our support for the Black community. We cannot and will not remain silent in the face of this cataclysmic moment. Too many have lost their lives to police brutality and racially-motivated violence. Too many more have suffered under centuries of systemic neglect and abuse.

As an organization, Alpha Rho Chi condemns the racist systems and institutions that seek to devalue Black lives. We stand in support of those advocating for change in their communities and those working to build an equitable, inclusive, innovative and just society.

The fields of architecture and allied arts have a long and complex history, deeply interwoven with discriminatory practices. [Efforts to diversify have been painfully slow](#), and the journey ahead is long. We are inspired by the members of Alpha Rho Chi, collegiate and alumni alike, who are firm in their commitment to seek the highest good without fear or favoritism. If you have not already, we encourage every member to start where you can. [Read](#). [Listen](#). [Share](#). [Donate](#). [Vote](#). [Heal](#).

As we move forward, Alpha Rho Chi re-affirms its commitment to pursue leadership in architecture and the allied arts. As a board, the Grand Council is committed to ongoing examination and adjustment of our work and our positions of privilege as we listen to, learn from, and amplify the knowledge of our membership and the greater community. We encourage you, our members, to commit yourselves to continue these hard conversations with each other and with us as we all strive for the betterment of the Fraternity.

In Fidelitas, Amor et Artes,

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