

Panhellenic Association's formal response to the events on the morning of October 5th, 2015

We, as the Panhellenic Association, are infuriated not only by the events that took place last night, but the events that have been taking place on this campus for far too long. Last night, members of the LBC royalty court were harassed by a white male who yelled racial slurs at them during their practice on Traditions Plaza. This event was not an isolated incident on this campus. Acts of discrimination like this have been happening over and over again.

We stand in support of the Legion of Black Collegians and their fight for justice and equality. Homecoming is meant to be a time of unity and honoring traditions, but how can we stand in unity when part of our student body does not feel welcome? How can we claim to honor traditions when acts of discrimination are occurring on the very landmark intended to uphold them? We call our members, in the midst of the 104th Homecoming, to practice unity and honoring traditions. We challenge our members to stand in solidarity with LBC and fight with them against the injustices on our campus. We challenge our members to honor not only Mizzou Alumni Association's traditions, but LBC's equally important traditions.

The Panhellenic Association will continually strive to end discrimination on our campus, for the sake of our own members and the members of the Mizzou community.

Call to Action for PHA Community Members

We challenge our members to stand up against the terrible events that have been occurring on our campus. If you are not offended for your fellow Mizzou Tigers by what happened last night, then you need to take a good, hard look at the privileges you have. Consider the fact that you can partake in your Homecoming traditions without having to worry about other students questioning the validity of your traditions or yelling words of hate. Consider your own sisters who face discrimination every day and how your inaction can hurt them. Listed below are ways you can make a difference.

- Attend and support LBC's Homecoming traditions. A complete list of their Homecoming events can be found here <https://twitter.com/MizzouLBC/status/651034595576537088>
- Use social media to make your voice heard. Use the hashtag #StandWithLBC to show your support for LBC
- Support fellow Greeks by attending NPHC's own Homecoming tradition, the NPHC Stroll Off. The Stroll Off is on October 9th at 8pm in Jesse Auditorium
- Start a conversation with your sisters, your friends and your classmates about the events that have been taking place on our campus. Together, we can all work toward a campus where everyone feels welcome and valued.