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Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity Inc.  
Committee for Nominations  
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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I am seeking to secure the position of Vice President for Colonization and Membership for the Kappa Kappa Psi National Council. I believe that my experience with Kappa Kappa Psi and college band programs, combined with my strong interpersonal skills and work ethic would continue to be a great addition to our national council. As current National Vice President for Programs, former Musicianship Director for the National Alumni Association Board of Directors, and a past Chapter Sponsor, I am very familiar with our ideals and wish to help the Fraternity achieve higher heights as we approach our centennial.

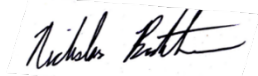
As National Vice President for Programs, I worked with the National Council to promote our Fraternity's various programs and initiatives. This biennium, my work with the National Council helped initiate the Chapter Development Grant to help improve chapter officer and logistics training. Additionally, through cooperation and promotion with National Leadership, Chapter participation in the Month of Musicianship increased to 90% across all Chapters in 2017, and 93.5% in 2018. During my tenure as National Vice President for Programs, I worked with National Headquarters to give our National Awards page a "facelift". This new page helped facilitate navigation for award nominations and gave Chapters an overall summary and list of past recipients of each award. Finally, I worked with National Leadership to promote transparency for our awards and revise applications and procedures to reflect changes made by the Road to Wisdom that would otherwise affect our programs and initiatives (i.e. Chapter Leadership Finalists, OMRS reports, etc.)

I seek the office of National Vice President for Colonization and Membership because I wish to help move our Fraternity forward with knowledge, compassion, and leadership. I want to focus on building resources, training our leadership, expanding our Membership Education curriculum, identifying brothers who are marginalized and help institute policies that can serve them well, and creating a recruitment and retention process that is beneficial to all qualified musicians.

With regards to the basic qualifications set by our National Constitution, I am currently 32 years old as of the date of this letter, am capable of representing the fraternity under all regular conditions, and am willing and able to devote the time necessary of this position. I also plan to attend this year's national convention in Stillwater, Oklahoma. My education includes a Bachelor of Arts in Music and a Master of Arts in Music Education from Coastal Carolina University; and the Doctorate of Education in Music Education from the University of Georgia.

I am very excited about the opportunities this opening presents, and I hope your committee will find me to be a worthy candidate. I am confident that I have the professional skills necessary to meet your requirements for the position of National Vice President for Colonization and Membership.

Fraternally,



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