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KAPPA ALPHA THETA HONORS TEN OUTSTANDING FACULTY

INDIANAPOLIS (Sept. 20, 2017)—Today, Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity, the first Greek-letter fraternity for women, announces its Ten Outstanding Faculty Members. This marks the sixth year the Fraternity will recognize faculty for contributions to colleges and universities where Theta chapters are present via an official nomination and selection process.

The faculty members were selected from more than 120 nominations by Theta college chapters across the United States and Canada. Chapters were asked to select one nominee and base their selection on the professor's passion for inspiring students and actions that connect to Theta's values of intellectual curiosity, leadership potential, commitment to service, and personal excellence. Candidates were not limited by gender, fraternity/sorority affiliation (or non-affiliation), disciplinary expertise, or number of Thetas taught.

This year's honorees include:

Drucilla Ronchen, Department of Linguistics, nominated by Epsilon Phi Chapter at University of Chicago

Dr. Becky Barker, Department of Educational Leadership & Policy Studies, nominated by Alpha Omicron Chapter at University of Oklahoma

Emily Paddon Rhoads, Department of Political Science, nominated by Alpha Beta Chapter at Swarthmore College

Meghan Porter, Department of Chemistry, nominated by Beta Chapter at Indiana University

Sean Nicholson, Department of Policy Analysis and Management, nominated by Iota Chapter at Cornell University

Sherryl Broverman, Department of Biology, nominated by Beta Rho Chapter at Duke University

Mee-Ae Kim, Department of History, nominated by Eta Eta Chapter at College of Idaho

Amy Ryken, School of Education, nominated by Delta Iota Chapter at University of Puget Sound

Greg Ghio, Department of Communication Studies, nominated by Eta Iota Chapter at University of San Diego

Barbara Gurr, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, nominated by Gamma Zeta Chapter at University of Connecticut

The Fraternity congratulates these outstanding faculty members for their accomplishments and thanks all of the nominees for their contributions to the scholastic advancement of our members.

Kappa Alpha Theta, founded in 1870 at DePauw University (then Asbury College) in Greencastle, Ind., is recognized as a leader in the Greek community in terms of programs for members, scholarships awarded, and chapter excellence. Kappa Alpha Theta supports 145 college chapters and 214 alumnae groups across the US and Canada. Membership totals nearly 220,000.

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