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Dear Alpha Chi Community:

As president of Alpha Chi National College Honor Society, I am pleased to announce that Lara Noah has accepted the position as executive director of Alpha Chi. As you will recall, I last wrote to inform you of the retirement of Dr. Trisha Yarbrough as executive director. Since that time, a search committee, chaired by National Council member Bill Potter, conducted a national search for the position and ultimately judged Lara as the ideal candidate. The National Council has confirmed the appointment.

As many of you know, Lara has had a long and distinguished career with Alpha Chi. She was originally inducted into Alpha Chi as a member of the Arkansas Eta chapter at Harding University in 1992. She then became an administrative assistant for the Society in 1994 (Alpha Chi's first full-time employee) and was promoted to director of operations in 1999, a position in which she has served with distinction until the present. We celebrated Lara's silver anniversary with Alpha Chi at the Portland National Convention in April.

During her time as director of operations, Lara has done virtually everything—overseeing a complete restructuring of the process for enrollment of new members, working hand-in-hand with our marketing firm, VisionPoint, working with chapter sponsors, efficiently planning and running an annual national convention (no easy task), to managing the national office and its staff. And, she has done all of this with a smile and grace that has endeared her to so many of us. I know that I can always pick up the phone or send an email and talk with Lara about a problem that needs to be solved, and I know that so many of you feel the same way.

I am confident that Lara will be a wonderful executive director and will lead Alpha Chi to new heights of excellence. Let's all continue to work together to make scholarship effective for good.

Sincerely,

Dr. David K. Jones, Ph.D.

President, Alpha Chi National College Honor Society