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On January 25, 2013, the Inter-Greek Council’s Judicial Board recommended the rescission of Zeta Beta Tau’s recognition at Columbia University due to the chapter's involvement in an incident of hazing. After Dean Terry Martinez upheld this recommendation, Zeta Beta Tau and its International Headquarters appealed the decision to Dean Kevin Shollenberger. After much time and deliberation, Dean Shollenberger has approved the organization’s appeal and altered the Judicial Board’s sanction, allowing Zeta Beta Tau to remain a recognized chapter on campus. The Greek community will continue in our efforts to raise awareness about the prevalence of hazing in the University community. We hope to help eradicate these practices from our community, and will support Zeta Beta Tau and all of our chapters in their plans to move forward and grow while addressing this important issue. As a community moving towards an increased dedication to values congruence, we maintain that we do not align ourselves with harmful actions that weaken our ideals of Scholarship, Leadership, and Empowerment, and that we will continue to hold ourselves to higher standards through our system of self-regulation and accountability of membership to ensure the well-being of our members and the effectiveness of the Greek experience here at Columbia University.