

11. Licensed Design Professional

Comments:

This accessibility waiver request pertains to the disproportionate cost associated with achieving vertical accessibility for a stage that is used once per year during sorority rush. The Kappa Delta Sorority has expended \$161,765 making their house handicap accessible. Florida Statutes states that an owner is only required to expend no greater than 20% of the total cost of construction on making the facility accessible. With the proposed stage, the construction cost devoted to accessibility is 22.89%. It is unfair for this Commission to continue to deny this waiver.

The footprint of the building has been expanded to its maximum. Space within the dining facility is at a premium. When the entire sorority has a gathering, every table in the Dining Hall is taken. There is no room for a 4 foot by 19 foot accessible ramp.

This is the fourth application for this waiver. I hope that you will consider this request favorably.