



OMEGA STOP THE VIOLENCE PLEDGE

Believing, as an Omega Man, that women and girls deserve my honor and respect; that they should not be talked to, talked about or treated like objects; that the humanity and dignity of women and girls must be appreciated by all men; and that the use of violence is never appropriate to obtain any legitimate human goal, as an Omega man, I pledge that all of the following will guide my daily conduct:

1. I will protect women and children from all forms of emotional and physical abuse.
2. Recognizing that violence is a serious problem among African American men and boys, I will, both individually and through my fraternal activities, advocate against interpersonal violence in every form.
3. I will not use violence or threats of violence in my relationship with any woman or girl.
4. I will not use violence or the threat of violence to obtain sex.
5. I will not use the language of violence to communicate my opinions and/or beliefs.
6. Knowing that violence is not a sign of manhood, strength or courage, I will share that point of view with other men.
7. I will not joke about the use of violence against women with other men, nor allow other men to promote such jokes in my presence.

8. I will never resort to the use of violence against any person, other than in the defense of another or my own self-defense to protect another or myself from imminent harm.
9. I will not remain silent or tolerate men who use violent words or conduct when referring to their relationships with women.
10. If I become aware that any other man is engaging in violence in his interpersonal relationship with any other person, especially if that other person is a woman or a girl, I will speak with him about his behavior, and urge him to seek appropriate services to get help and change his attitude and behavior.

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