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## **ATO Fraternity at Hillsdale College Named National True Merit Chapter for Fourth Consecutive Year**

Hillsdale, Michigan – Hillsdale College’s Alpha Tau Omega (ATO) men’s fraternity, Beta Kappa chapter, has been named the fraternity’s national “True Merit Award” winner, the College announced today. Beta Kappa accepted the award at the 82<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Congress, held Aug. 3-6 in Charlotte, North Carolina. This is the fourth consecutive True Merit Award for Hillsdale College’s chapter.

“We are grateful to everyone who made this possible, including the national fraternity, the College administration, and most importantly my brothers at the Beta Kappa chapter of ATO,” said Matt Katz, Alpha Tau Omega president at Hillsdale College. “Each year, we make it our goal to be better than we were the year before, the semester before, and even the day before. This award shows that we accomplished that goal. I’m very proud to be a member of ATO at Hillsdale College.”

In 2015, *Best College Reviews* named the Hillsdale College one of the 50 best colleges in the nation for Greek life. In the 2014-15 school year, Hillsdale’s four fraternities and three sororities performed more than 8,600 hours of community service. Many chapters earned recognition for their outstanding academic and community achievements.

“We are pleased with the continued efforts and accomplishments of our men of ATO,” said Aaron Petersen, dean of men and adviser to the College’s four fraternities. “It is one of our many blessings at Hillsdale College to have fraternities that reinforce the College’s aim of developing the minds and hearts of its students and prepare them to be leaders. Fraternity life can be a real force for good and a practical way to learn self-government.”

To be considered for the True Merit Award, the chapter must display significant leadership and participation in national programs and campus organizations and enhance a positive ATO experience for all members and pledges.

To learn more about Hillsdale College and its Greek life, visit [www.hillsdale.edu](http://www.hillsdale.edu).

### **About Hillsdale College**

Hillsdale College, founded in 1844, has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an extensive educational outreach effort promoting civil and religious

liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 3.5 million.

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