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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

GREEK COURT GROWTH CONTINUES

CHARLESTON, IL.--Thursday's approval by the Board of Governors of site work for Phase III of Greek Court marks another milestone in Eastern Illinois University's highly successful Greek Court project, according to Eastern President Stan Rives.

Currently, Phases I and II of Greek Court are filled to capacity, with eight fraternities and sororities living there.

ADD 1/1/1/1 GREEK COURT

Another four groups have spoken for the four fraternity/sorority houses, which will be completed as part of Phase III of the project now underway, and one group has been placed on a waiting list. Occupancy is planned for the Fall Semester 1991.

Eastern's Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Housing Lou Hencken said the enthusiasm for Greek Court has snowballed, adding that more and more fraternity and sorority representatives have contacted him about moving into the facility.

"I am getting a lot of positive feedback from groups interested in moving into Greek Court, as well as from fraternity and sorority members currently living there who say their organizations have grown stronger because they are now on campus," Hencken said.

With Greek Court integrated into the University housing system, Hencken noted that residents will benefit from counseling, guidance and educational programming which are part of the residence hall operation and play a large part in the academic success rates of students who elect to live on campus.

The site work for Phase III includes materials, equipment for street extension, parking, sidewalks, sewers, water mains and labor. Ne-Co Asphalt Co. of Charleston was awarded the \$558,305 project.

Vice President for Administration and Finance Verna

Armstrong said of the site work, "It is a large endeavor; it really is a lot of work."

ADD 2/2/2/2 GREEK COURT

The completed \$2 million Phase III Greek Court project will include tennis courts, basketball courts and open areas for all students occupying the facility.

Eventually, Eastern officials hope to complete up to 10 Greek Court complexes and develop student recreation areas in the southeast portion of campus.