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A SENSE OF THE STUDENT SENATE AND THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE RESIDENT STUDENT ASSOCIATION CALLING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GENDER NEUTRAL HOUSING AT NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, For several years, there has been an unmet need for students to live with another student of a different legal sex in on-campus housing at Northeastern University; **AND**

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association and the Resident Student Association wish to help create additional housing options at Northeastern; **AND**

WHEREAS, Gender Neutral Housing provides the opportunity for a student to live with another student of a different legal sex; **AND**

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association and the Resident Student Association realize that Gender Neutral Housing will become more intricate as the program expands; **AND**

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association and the Resident Student Association, in conjunction with the Northeastern University Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, Questioning, Straight Alliance (NUBiLAGA) have put forth a proposal for the creation of Gender Neutral Housing at Northeastern University.

THEREFORE IT IS THE SENSE OF THE STUDENT SENATE AND THE GENERAL COUNCIL THAT

Northeastern University should establish Gender Neutral Housing starting in the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; **AND**

This program will grow over time in both the number of participants, and the intricacy of the program's logistics; **AND**

Northeastern University, specifically the Department of Residential Life, work with the Student Government Association, and the Resident Student Association to implement this plan in as timely a manner as possible.

Respectfully submitted to the Senate and General Council with the unanimous support of the Housing Services Committee of the Resident Student Association,

For the Student Government Association:

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Ryan Fox
Vice President for Student Services

Kathleen M. Zasada
Senator

Approve: _____ *Attest:* _____

Robert Ranley
President

Emma Brancaccio
Vice President for Administration and Public Relations

Date: _____
Yes: _____
No: _____
Abstain: _____

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Charles A. Berds
Assistant Vice President for Finance

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General Councilor

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Student Government Association Representative

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Approve: _____ *Attest*: _____

Kristina N. Cecil
President

Katya E. Carman
Vice President for Administration

Date: _____
Yes: _____
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