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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

A Resolution of Governance to establish a mission statement for the Association.

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Whereas: The Student Government Association represents the undergraduate student body; **AND**

Whereas: A concise description for the object of the Association does not currently exist; **AND**

Whereas: Senators can better serve their constituencies when students at large can easily understand the object of the Association; **AND**

Whereas: Article II currently reads: "The object of the Association is to be the official liaison between the students and the University Faculty and Administration; to act in an advisory capacity to the Faculty and Administration; to strive to make the University a continually more serviceable institution; to serve students as a resource in resolving concerns; to be the means by which the student body of the University communicates with the faculty, administration, and Trustees of the University; to be the approval authority for all petitions or referenda that students or student organizations wish to circulate among the student body; to be the means by which students influence the educational programs, processes, and the administrative management of the University; and to distribute funds from the Student Activity Fee to eligible student organizations. The Association is the means by which students are represented in the governance of the University. The Association is therefore the general interest group on campus advocating in the interest of all undergraduate students. At its electoral base are full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled in the University. The Association's operational activities are carried out by three (3) active service branches that are open to all qualified students in the manner prescribed by the Constitution. The Association was established on the basis that it would be the representative group of the entire full-time undergraduate University community including all of its diverse views and peoples. It is our hope and duty that the Association respect, understand, and accept the differences and similarities that exist within and outside our University community." **THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article II be split into sections A and B and be modified to read as follows:

<u>Mission</u>

A. Mission Statement

The Student Government Association serves as the voice of the undergraduate student body. It strives to promote student interests within the University and its surrounding communities in order to enrich education, student life, and the overall Northeastern experience.

B. Object

In support of the mission, the object of the Association is to be the official liaison between the students and the University Faculty and Administration; to act in an advisory capacity to the Faculty and Administration; to strive to make the University a continually more serviceable institution; to serve students as a resource in resolving concerns; to be the means by which the student body of the University communicates with the faculty, administration, and Trustees of the University; to be the approval authority for all petitions or referenda that students or student organizations wish to circulate among the student body; to be the means by which students influence the educational programs, processes, and the administrative management of the University; and to distribute funds from the Student Activity Fee to eligible student organizations. The Association is the means by which students are represented in the governance of the University. The Association is therefore the general interest group on campus advocating in the interest of all undergraduate students. At its electoral base are full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled in the University. The Association's operational activities are carried out by three (3) active service branches that are open to all qualified students in the manner prescribed by the Constitution. The Association was established on the basis that it would be the representative group of the entire full-time undergraduate University community including all of its diverse views and peoples. It is our hope and duty that the Association respect, understand, and accept the differences and similarities that exist within and outside our University community.

Respectfully submitted to the Senate,

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Ashley R. Caron
Vice President for Student Affairs

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Ryan J. Fox
President

ATTEST: _____
Sean P. Maloney
Executive Vice President

Date: _____
YAY: _____
NAY: _____
ABSTAIN: _____