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A RESOLUTION
TO URGE AND REQUEST THE UNIVERSITY TO ADJUST THEIR POLICIES REGARDING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR COMPLIANCE WITH UNIVERSITY POLICY CHANGES

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS’ RELATIONSHIP TO THE UNIVERSITY IS A UNIQUE ONE THAT INVOLVES AND REQUIRES A LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS REMAIN ON FIXED SOURCE OF INCOME AND ARE UNABLE TO WORK OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, IN THE PAST, ANTICIPATED COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY HAVE BEEN RAISED BY A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT IN AN INSIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, IN THE PAST, NON-FINANCIAL POLICIES ALSO REQUIRE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TO MAKE HUGE ADJUSTMENTS; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, A RECENT CHANGE IN THE UNIVERSITY’S HEALTHCARE REQUIREMENTS CAUSED UNDUE AND UNTIMELY FINANCIAL STRESS ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, MAKING IT CHALLENGING FOR THESE STUDENTS TO AFFORD THE CHANGES BEFORE THE WITHDRAWAL DATE PUTTING THOSE STUDENTS’ ABILITY TO ATTEND THE UNIVERSITY AND REMAIN IN THE UNITED STATES AT RISK; AND

PARAGRAPH 6: WHEREAS, THIS CAUSES ISSUES AND UNDUE STRESS FOR STUDENTS WHO ALREADY OPERATE IN A COMPARATIVELY EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCE TO ATTEND THE UNIVERSITY.

PARAGRAPH 7: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THE UNIVERSITY ADJUST THEIR POLICIES TO ALLOW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS MORE TIME TO DEAL WITH CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSITY’S POLICY AND ALSO IN THE EFFECT CERTAIN POLICIES MAY HAVE ON STUDENTS FINANCIAL STANDING POSSIBLY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO INCREASED TIME TO DEAL WITH
NEW COSTS, GRACE PERIODS, AND/OR PAYMENT DEFERMENTS, AND

PARAGRAPH 8: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO F. KING ALEXANDER, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT; UNIVERSITY PROVOST KOUBEK; PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION, KWADWO PORU-AGYEMANG.

PARAGRAPH 9: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY (ONE-HALF PLUS ONE) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

APPROVED:

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ALEX DE GRAVELLE
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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ZACHARY A. FAIRCLOTH
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:__________________
DATE:_______________