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A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER TO REFORM ITS POLICY REGARDING DOCTOR’S EXCUSES

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, MANY STUDENTS VALUE THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER AS AN EXCEPTIONAL ON-CAMPUS RESOURCE WHEN THEY ARE SICK OR INJURED; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, WHEN STUDENTS ARE SICK, THEY MAY MISS CLASSES AND VISIT THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, UNIVERSITY POLICY STATEMENT 22 (PS-22) LISTS ILLNESS AS VALID REASON FOR FAILING TO ATTEND CLASS, BUT REQUIRES APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE RESPECTIVE INSTRUCTOR; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, MANY PROFESSORS AND EMPLOYERS HAVE STRICT ATTENDANCE POLICIES AND REQUEST A VALID MEDICAL EXCUSE AS PROOF TO EXPLAIN WHY A STUDENT HAS MISSED CLASS OR WORK; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, A DOCTOR’S EXCUSE NOTE OR DISCHARGE PAPERWORK ARE TWO OPTIONS THAT COULD MEET A STUDENT’S NEEDS AND THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY PS-22 AS FORMAL DOCUMENTATION FOR MISSED CLASSES OR WORK; AND

PARAGRAPH 6: WHEREAS, THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER SHOULD PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH AN ADEQUATE FORM OF DOCUMENTATION TO MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS PER PS-22.

PARAGRAPH 7: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER ADDRESS THEIR POLICY TO INCLUDE DOCTOR’S EXCUSES AS A FORM OF FORMAL DOCUMENTATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH PS-22, AND

PARAGRAPH 8: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO D’ANN MORRIS, DIRECTOR OF THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER AND JULIE HUPPERICH, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER.
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:

TYLER S. LOGA
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

DATE:____________________

CLAYTON TUFTS
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:____________________