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STUDENT SENATE

F11RS

SGR No. 9

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A RESOLUTION**TO URGE AND REQUEST THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAMPUS-WIDE COMPOSTING PROGRAM AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY**

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, CURRENTLY MOST IF NOT ALL ORGANIC WASTES PRODUCED ON CAMPUS ARE NOT RECYCLED, CAUSING APPROXIMATELY 868 TONS OF WASTE TO BE SENT TO A LANDFILL OR DOWN THE DRAIN; AND
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, LSU CURRENTLY INCURS LARGE FEES, TOTALING \$111,500 A YEAR, FOR THE DISPOSAL OF ORGANIC WASTES; AND
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, COMPOSTING WOULD BE A MORE ECOLOGICAL AND ECONOMICAL MANNER OF DISPOSING OF THESE ORGANIC WASTES; AND
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, ORGANIC WASTE COULD BE TRANSPORTED TO THE LSU AGCENTER'S CALLEGARI CENTER, WHICH POSSESSES THE LAND AND EQUIPMENT TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROGRAM; AND
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROGRAM WOULD PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS OF LOUISIANA ON THE BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES, THE USE AND PRODUCTION OF ORGANIC MATERIAL AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF COMPOSTING; AND
- PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE COMPOST PRODUCED FROM THE UNIVERSITY'S ORGANIC WASTE COULD BE RETURNED TO CAMPUS OR SOLD TO THE COMMUNITY AS MULCH OR OTHER LANDSCAPING MATERIAL; AND
- PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, THE PROJECTED ANNUAL SAVINGS FOR THE UNIVERSITY BY IMPLEMENTING A COMPOSTING PROGRAM WOULD TOTAL \$49,500; AND
- PARAGRAPH 8:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE URGE AND REQUEST THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAMPUS-WIDE COMPOSTING PROGRAM AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND
- PARAGRAPH 9:** BE IT RUTHER RESOLVED THAT A SUITABLE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO CHANCELLOR MARTIN AND THE CHANCELLOR OF THE LSU AGCENTER, WILLIAM RICHARDSON, AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION AND THE DIVISION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

PARAGRAPH 10: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY (1/2) 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.

Aaron Caffarel
Speaker of the Senate

Cody Wells
Student Body President

Date:_____

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