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A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST THE INCLUSION OF MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES AS AN OPTION FOR FULFILLING THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT.

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE PURPOSE OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT EXISTS TO INSTALL AN APPRECIATION AND BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTS IN STUDENTS; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, PARTICIPATION IN MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES DOES NOT CURRENTLY FULFILL THIS REQUIREMENT OR PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC BENEFIT OTHER THAN ONE HOUR OF CREDIT PER SEMESTER; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, PARTICIPATION IN MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES REQUIRES A HIGH LEVEL OF EXPERTISE AND A GREAT AMOUNT OF PRACTICE HOURS IN AND OUT OF THE ENSEMBLE; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, WHILE THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF MUSIC MAY BE DIFFERENT FROM THE OVERALL CRITICAL APPRECIATION LEARNED IN THE CURRENT MUSICAL OPTION FOR THIS REQUIREMENT, THE EXPERIENCE GAINED IN PERFORMING ENSEMBLES IS AS, IF NOT MORE, VALUABLE THAN SAID CRITICAL APPRECIATION; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, THOSE THAT PARTICIPATE IN THESE ENSEMBLES DO SO TO HONE THEIR MUSICAL TALENT AND DEEPEN THEIR ALREADY EXTENSIVE APPRECIATION OF THE ARTS;

PARAGRAPH 6: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE URGE AND REQUEST THAT PARTICIPATION IN THREE SEMESTERS OF MUSICAL, PERFORMING ENSEMBLES SUCH AS TIGER BAND, SYMPHONIC BAND, SYMPHONIC WINDS, WIND ENSEMBLE, PHILHARMONIA, MEN’S CHORUS, WOMEN’S CHORUS, GOSPEL CHOIR, UNIVERSITY ChORUS, A CAPPELLA CHOIR, JAZZ BAND AND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FULFILL THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT; AND

PARAGRAPH 7: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO ASTRID MERGET, EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST; SARAH LYNN BAIRD, INTERIM DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DRAMATIC ARTS; ANDREA HOUSTON, CHAIR OF THE COURSES AND CURRICULUM COMMITTEE; AND MICHAEL V. MARTIN, CHANCELLOR.
PARAGRAPH 8: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A 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

APPROVED:

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BEN CLARK                   J. COLORADO ROBERTSON
STUDENT SENATE SPEAKER      STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE_______________________  DATE_________________________