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STUDENT SENATE
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A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST LSU FACILITY AND PROPERTY OVERSIGHT TO PURSUE AND SIGN A SOLAR PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENT WITH A SOLAR TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPER

PARAGRAPHS 1:
WHEREAS, LSU TO DATE HAS NOT IN ANY WAY IMPLEMENTED ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES LIKE SOLAR ENERGY AS A MEANS TO OFFSET ENERGY PRICES; AND

PARAGRAPHS 2:
WHEREAS, SOME UNIVERSITIES SUCH AS UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE AND UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS ARE ALREADY POWERED EXCLUSIVELY BY WIND AND SOLAR, WHILE MANY PEER UNIVERSITIES ARE POWERED MOSTLY BY RENEWABLE ENERGY; AND

PARAGRAPHS 3:
WHEREAS, IMPLEMENTATION OF SOLAR PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN PROVEN TO BE LOW RISK AND CONTRIBUTE TO REDUCING ENERGY COSTS OVER TIME, AS WELL AS IMPROVING TAX CREDIT AND EQUITY AND PROPERTY VALUE; AND

PARAGRAPHS 4:
WHEREAS, IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE STUDENT BODY TO IMPLEMENT SOLAR ENERGY ON LSU’S CAMPUS TO REDUCE ENERGY PRICES, WHICH ARE PAID BY STUDENT DOLLARS; AND

PARAGRAPHS 5:
WHEREAS, A SOLAR PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENT IS A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN A UNIVERSITY AND SOLAR COMPANY WHICH PROVIDES SOLAR TECHNOLOGY TO A UNIVERSITY AT LITTLE TO NO COST IN RETURN FOR AN AGREEMENT OF ENERGY SHARING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY AND SOLAR COMPANY FOR A SET PERIOD OF TIME; AND

PARAGRAPHS 6:
WHEREAS, AFTER THAT SET PERIOD OF TIME IS UP, THE SOLAR COMPANY WILL LEAVE THE SOLAR TECHNOLOGY FOR THE UNIVERSITY’S EXCLUSIVE USE; AND

PARAGRAPHS 7:
WHEREAS, THIS WOULD BE AN EFFECTIVE WAY TO INTRODUCE SOLAR TECHNOLOGY ON LSU’S CAMPUS WITHOUT EXHAUSTING LARGE QUANTITIES OF FUNDING OR RESOURCES.
PARAGRAPH 8: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT LSU FACILITY AND PROPERTY OVERSIGHT PURSUE AND SIGN A SOLAR PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENT, AND

PARAGRAPH 9: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO TONY LOMBARDO, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OVERSIGHT; TAMMY MILLCAN, DIRECTOR OF FACILITY SERVICES; AND SARAH TEMPLE, DIRECTOR OF SUSTAINABILITY AT FACILITY SERVICES, AND

PARAGRAPH 10: 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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JAMES J. MICKLER          JASON J. BADEAUX
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE      STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:_____________________  DATE:_________________