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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Fifty Fifth Student Senate



AT THE SPRING REGULAR SESSION OF
Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

S.G.R. 16

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AUTHORED BY SENATORS:

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Rolland, Wilcher

A Resolution

To Urge and Request LSU Residential Life to Cease Group Billing for Residents Who are Not at Fault of Suspected Miscellaneous Damages

1 WHEREAS, LSU Residential Life has sent emails to residents of the
2 Herget and Miller Hall communities pertaining to miscellaneous
3 damages occurring in their communities this year, including torn down
4 exits signs, food clogging the bathroom sinks, piles of trash, and
5 damage to the walls; and

6 WHEREAS, the email states "Moving forward, any monetary charge
7 that occurs from vandalism on your floor of Herget Hall will be divided
8 equally among all the community members on your floor on a weekly
9 basis until the individual(s) responsible are identified;" and

10 WHEREAS, LSU Residential Life houses thousands of students from
11 around the globe with varying socioeconomic backgrounds and many
12 with limited resources; and

13 WHEREAS, LSU Residential Life has raised the rent for most of their
14 on-campus dorms and apartments consistently throughout the last 5
15 years; and

16 WHEREAS, We believe innocent students should not be charged for
17 damages they are not responsible for; and

18 WHEREAS, the email also states "If you have information related to any
19 of the vandalism done to your floor, please let me know... Please be
20 aware that the police will be investigating recent incidents as well as all

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21 future incidents of vandalism. Lastly, LSU Residential Life is offering a
 22 reward of \$250 (posted to LSU student account) for information that
 23 leads to identification of individuals involved in vandalism; and

24 WHEREAS, The aforementioned statement encourages residents to
 25 turn in fellow residents for a reward, which can lead to residents
 26 abusing the system to harass other residents with investigations from
 27 the LSUPD and LSU Residential Life; and

28 WHEREAS, In a meeting with Catherine David, she stated that they do
 29 not use these tactics often and this is a rare occasion; and

30 WHEREAS, just a week later ResLife used this tactic on Joan C. Miller
 31 Hall residents, which leads us to believe they will continue this tactic
 32 despite the potentially harmful consequences to economically
 33 vulnerable residents.

34 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE
 35 UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE, that Student Government urge and
 36 request LSU Residential Life to cease group billing for residents who are not at
 37 fault of suspected miscellaneous damages.

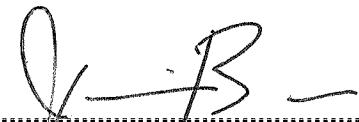
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 39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION
 40 BE SUBMITTED TO Catherine David, Associate Director of
 41 Communications and Development, Alix Perry, Coordinator of Revenue
 42 Management, and Karen Rockett, Director of Housing and Facilities.

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 44 THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE by a
 45 simple majority (one-half plus one) vote of the LSU Student Senate and
 46 signature by the Student Body President, upon lapse of time for
 47 presidential action, or if vetoed by the President and subsequently
 48 approved by the Senate, on the date of such approval.

APPROVED:



ALEXANDRA BASSE
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
 DATE: 7/21/2022



JAVIN BOWMAN
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
 DATE: 8/22/22