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## **F22RS SGR No. 1 (Allen Hall Murals)**

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## LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

## Fifty Sixth Student Senate



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

## S.G.R. 1

## ENROLLED

AUTHORED BY SENATOR(S):  
SENATORS MONCEAUX, FERGUSON, AND REED

## A Resolution

*To Urge and Request Louisiana State University  
paint a new representation of Student Life over the Mural  
in Allen Hall depicting segregation and people of color  
picking cotton*

3 WHEREAS, the murals in Allen Hall painted in the  
4 1930s; and

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6 WHEREAS, these murals were covered up for decades until  
7 being restored in the 1990s; and

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9 WHEREAS, art students were given sections of the drywall  
10 to paint, leading to political content reflecting global and  
11 Louisiana politics such as Hitler, Fascism, Slavery, and  
12 Segregation; and

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14 WHEREAS, the sections depicting Hitler and Fascism were  
15 covered up at a later date due to the urging of an  
16 administrative assistant; and

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18 WHEREAS, depictions of slavery and segregated work forces  
19 no longer depict the diversity of Louisiana and LSU Student  
20 Life 90 years after the murals were painted ; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Louisiana State University student body  
23 continues to be subjugated by building names, placards, and  
24 murals that internalize a culture that promotes an idea of  
25 racial inferiority and rampant discrimination; and  
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26 WHEREAS, white supremacy, symbolic or structural, must  
 27 be rooted out of all facets of campus life; and  
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29 WHEREAS, removing the mural would cost \$250,000; and  
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31 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Student University Student  
 32 Government is mandated to represent the interests of a  
 33 diverse student body;  
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35 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA  
 36 STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE, that Louisiana  
 37 State University task students with painting over the murals  
 38 that display segregation and slavery with a more apt  
 39 depiction of Louisiana State University student life in the  
 40 modern era  
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42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS  
 43 RESOLUTION BE SUBMITTED TO the Dean of Students,  
 44 the LSU President, and the individual members on the Board  
 45 of Supervisors.  
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47 THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON  
 48 PASSAGE by a simple majority (one-half plus one) vote of  
 49 the LSU Student Senate and signature by the Student Body  
 50 President, upon lapse of time for presidential action, or if  
 51 vetoed by the President and subsequently approved by the  
 52 Senate, on the date of such approval.  
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APPROVED:

*Sam Staggs*

Samantha "Sam" Staggs  
 SPEAKER OF THE SENATE  
 DATE: 10-17-22

*Lizzie Shaw*

Lauren "Lizzie" Shaw  
 STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT  
 DATE: 10-17-22