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**A Resolution -**

**To be known as "A Resolution to Establish an Independent Discrimination Prevention Oversight Committee" to ensure that no member of our student population is discriminated against in any way during their enrollment at Texas State University.**

1 **WHEREAS:** We take great pride in our diverse student  
2 population and the multitude of different  
3 perspectives each student brings to our  
4 University; and

5 **WHEREAS:** We as a University hope to foster a learning  
6 environment in which one can study, learn and  
7 grow while being free from undue discrimination  
8 on the basis of Age, Disability, Sex, Race/  
9 Color, National Origin, Sexual Orientation,  
10 Veteran Status, or Gender Identity; and

11 **WHEREAS:** There have been documented instances of such acts  
12 of discrimination being perpetrated by employees  
13 of Texas State University against students;  
14 therefore

15 **BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Office of the Provost and Vice  
16 President for Academic Affairs at Texas  
17 State University work in conjunction  
18 with the Office of the Dean of Students  
19 and the University President's Office  
20 to establish an independent and  
21 unbiased "Discrimination Prevention  
22 Oversight Committee" which will hear  
23 appeals initiated by students regarding  
24 acts of discrimination being  
25 perpetrated against said students; and

26 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That this "Discrimination  
27 Prevention Oversight Committee" be  
28 established by or before the  
29 beginning of the 2016-2017 school  
30 year and let each committee be  
31 composed of an equal number of  
32 current students, staff and  
33 faculty who will hear each  
34 discrimination case brought before  
35 them and make recommendations and  
36 issue rulings or prescribe  
37 punishment or necessary actions to

38 resolve the issue brought forth in  
39 each case; and

40 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the students of Texas State  
41 be informed via email of the  
42 establishment of this committee  
43 and let this committee be vested  
44 with the necessary powers and  
45 duties by the President of the  
46 University to complete a proper  
47 review and issue meaningful  
48 rulings that will indeed bring  
49 about a resolution for each case;  
50 and

51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That upon passage, this piece of  
52 legislation be forwarded to  
53 President of Texas State  
54 University Dr. Denise M. Trauth,  
55 Provost and Vice President for  
56 Academic Affairs Dr. Gene  
57 Bourgeois, Dean of Students Dr.  
58 Margarita M. Arellano, The  
59 University Star and Student Body  
60 President Andrew Homann for  
61 immediate action.