A Resolution -

To be known as “A Resolution to Promote Diversity Education on Campus” and ensure that our student population is guaranteed academic options focusing on African and African American studies.

WHEREAS: We take great pride in our diverse student population and the legacy of Civil Rights progress that is a cornerstone achievement of our most distinguished alumnus, President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and

WHEREAS: We as a University hope to foster a learning environment in which one can study and learn about these important topics which fall under the broad category of African and African American studies and produce graduates who are worthy of LBJ’s great legacy; and

WHEREAS: There is currently only an International Studies major that can be used to examine African studies topics, and many of these courses are not offered
consistently, nor is this major’s focus wholly on the topic of African studies and does not examine African American studies at all; and

WHEREAS: There is a present and ever increasing interest from students in having academic majors available focusing on African and African American studies; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Texas State University develop and implement a plan to make available an academic minor in “Black Studies” two new academic majors for undergraduate students: “African Studies” and “African American Studies”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That these two new academic majors be prepared and made available to undergraduate students as possible courses of study by or before the start of the Fall 2018 semester; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That upon passage, this piece of legislation be forwarded to President of Texas State
University Denise M. Trauth,

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Gene Bourgeois

and Student Body President Lauren Stotler for action.