September 3, 2019

To: Corey Benbow, Student Government President

From: Dr. Joanne Smith

SUBJ: Student Government Legislation
S.R. 02 A Resolution Denouncing White Supremacy, Racism, and Fascism

I am in receipt of this resolution where Student Government denounces white supremacy, racism and fascism in all its forms and urging the University President to join Student Government in also denouncing the same. As you may recall, the President has denounced white supremacy on several occasions during the 2018-2019 academic year and in her end of the year message to the campus community.

As the 2019-2020 academic year has begun, the President also denounced this during the University Convocation and General Faculty Meeting on August 20, 2019 and again in the opening of the year message to the campus community. It is incumbent for everyone in the campus community to be aware of the commitment of the administration to denounce white supremacy and to do what we can to deal with it should there be evidence on campus. A Bias Response Reporting mechanism has been developed which will allow students, faculty, and staff to report any concerns. A Response Team will be reviewing these submissions and determining the best course of action to handle the reports.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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