A Resolution

To be entitled A Resolution Establishing a Partnership with Fraternity and Sorority Life to Host a Campus-Wide Philanthropy Week in Spring 2019.

Whereas: Student Government has shown room for improvement in establishing credibility and resources to the Student Body, and because of the negative perception associated with Student Government, the Organization is in desperate need of rebranding; and

Whereas: Similarly, there are other organizations in the same situation, one of which is Fraternity and Sorority Life (“FSL”) of Texas State; and

Whereas: While the organizational structure and purpose of Student Government and FSL differ, the two organizations share multiple similarities as well; and

Whereas: Fraternities and sororities across the nation have chosen philanthropies that annual proceeds go towards. For example, Delta Tau Delta’s chosen philanthropy is Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, or JDRF; and

Whereas: Student Government has also participated in and hosted multiple philanthropic events or endeavors in the past, and continually plans to do so; therefore,

Be it resolved: A partnership and committee (“joint-committee”) between Student Government and the FSL Programming Board be established to host a philanthropy week in Spring 2019, and potentially annually thereafter, dependent on the wishes of
Student Government/FSL, as well as on the success of the event this year.

Be it resolved: That a committee be formed with the following under the following criteria:

Committee Participation

The membership of the joint-committee is to consist of four (4) members of the FSL Programming Board as well as Student Government’s Vice President, Director of Finance, Director of Student Services, and Director of Marketing; and,

The Student Body Vice President is essential to include because the position is that of the highest-ranking member in Senate; and,

The Director of Finance is essential to include because the office holder is responsible for fundraising; and

The Director of Student Services is essential to include because the office holder is responsible for hosting services for the student body; and

The Director of Marketing is essential to include because marketing of the philanthropy week is, by far, the most crucial aspect to make this event a success; and,

If one of these members is not able or willing to participate, they may select one capable and dedicated member of the Senate to fill their role in the joint-committee, with the exception of the Vice President, in which their absence shall be filled by the Senate Pro Tempore; and

Although these members will be participating in the joint-committee, Student Government still has the ability to establish an internal committee through the passage of a bill to participate in Philanthropy Week, and to help with the logistical aspects of Philanthropy Week if the Senate deems necessary; and

Participation in the joint-committee does not grant extra-judicial power to any member, nor does it relieve any of the regular responsibilities of the Senate member. Further, no absences from Student Government Senate meetings, commission meetings, committee meetings, cabinet meetings, or programs shall be excused because of participation in the joint-committee.
Exclusions

Organizational participation in the planning of this event shall be restricted to whatever university administrators are necessary, the FSL Programming Board, and Student Government. Organizations that have been suspended, definitely or indefinitely, shall be strictly prohibited from participating in the planning, ticket sales, or any other logistical participation in this event.

Philanthropy Week

Philanthropy week shall be either in March or April of 2019 and shall consist of numerous days dedicated to celebrating giving and instilling a sense of union and pride amongst the student body. Organizations could be in the quad raising money for philanthropies of their choice, within permissible University guidelines, while promoting the main event of Philanthropy Week, if they so choose. The main event of Philanthropy Week will be a benefit concert, of which, the location, date, and artist are to be determined.

The philanthropy which the proceeds will go to is to be determined, but current options include, but are not limited to, the Hays County Women and Children’s Center, Hays County Food Bank, or other local philanthropic groups, etc.

Senate Reports

A designated Student Government Member of the joint-committee shall give monthly reports of the progress of the event as well as propose the necessary needs of the event to the Senate body for approval.

To be included in all reports are updates of the event and the progress of the joint-committee.

To be included in the first, third, and last report is the budget of the event.

To be included in the first, second, and third report is a designated time for recommendations from the Senate body.

To be included in one of the reports is the announcement of the chosen philanthropy that will receive the proceeds. This is to be reported in the first formal report after the decision is made by the joint-committee.
Be it resolved: That this resolution be recognized under the following powers:

Authorization

This partnership and joint-committee are authorized by the Senate coinciding with the permitted guidelines listed in the Student Government Constitution Article 1, Section 2.

Be it further resolved: Upon passage, this resolution be forwarded to the Student Body President for further action.