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**A Resolution –**

**A Resolution to be known as “A Resolution Calling for a Bobcat Unity Through Diversity Celebration” which calls for the university to organize a series of Bobcat Unity events in celebration of Bobcat Diversity during welcome week activities.**

**WHEREAS:** Texas State University is a diverse campus with students enrolled from all backgrounds and identities that deserve celebration, including 557 international students representing 67 countries; and

**WHEREAS:**  Texas State University has a long history of celebrating its diverse population with programs like the Diwali Festival of Lights, Mama’s Kitchen, Veterans Day Commemoration, and many others; and

**WHEREAS:** Our diversity is a strength which provides students the opportunity to learn from, become friends, and discuss important issues with people of completely different backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS:** Recent trends of political polarization and the propagation of fundamentally intolerant ideologies at the campus and at the national level have caused campus division and presented challenges to the pride Bobcats have in their diverse student body – we cannot allow recent events to cause us to lose our appreciation for these experiences; NOW, THEREFORE;

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That Student Government calls on the University Administration to coordinate with the LBJ Student Center, Bobcat Preview, Student Government and other participants of the Week of Welcome activities for Fall 2019 to incorporate a diversity celebration fair with booths and activities showcasing the different cultures and identities represented at Texas State University; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That upon passage, this resolution be forwarded to the Student Body President for further action.