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A Bill -

To be Entitled "Bobcats United Authorization Act," relating to the efforts of Student Government to establish a Town Hall series designed to engage San Marcos residents in discussion about hot topic events.

1 **WHEREAS:** Discussion and debate is to be
2 celebrated at this University; and

3 **WHEREAS:** Texas State University aims to provide
4 a safe learning environment for each
5 and every student; and

6 **WHEREAS:** Current events, and a heightened
7 political efficacy has created an
8 atmosphere of involvement and advocacy;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS:** An exchange of ideas is one of the best
11 ways in which we are to understand each
12 other and strengthen community bonds;
13 and

14 **WHEREAS :** A "Town Hall" setting that engages
15 folks and provides insight behind
16 various ideas is the most effective way
17 for us to understand one another;
18 therefore

19 **BE IT ENACTED :** That Student Government establish the
20 Bobcats United Town Hall series to
21 address hot topic issues; and

22 **BE IT ENACTED :** That the Student Government Code be
23 amended to add

24 **SUBTITLE I- MISCELLANEOUS**

25 **CHAPTER 109- BOBCATS UNITED AUTHORIZATION ACT**

26 **Article I-ADMINISTRATIVE**

27 **§1 AUTAUTHORIZATION.** This chapter and all of its regulations are
28 authorized pursuant to Article III(10) (a),(j) of the Student
29 Government Constitution and S.G.C. V. §107.1(2) (a).

30 **§2 PURPOSE.** The Senate wishes to encourage student discourse on
31 current issues facing our campus and community while
32 supporting the Texas State Shared Values by fostering "a
33 spirit of inclusiveness, a global perspective, and a sense of
34 community." The Senate encourages an open discourse and

35 debate as critical to the advancement of our personal and
36 academic development. To support this end, the Senate wishes
37 to create a forum for dialog through a Town Hall Series to be
38 titled "Bobcats United: A Town Hall Series." This Town Hall
39 Series will provide for a discussion on current pressing
40 social, political, community and campus topics, allowing the
41 Student Government, through the Student Services Commission,
42 to understand the issues, concerns and opinions of the
43 students. This discourse will permit Student Government to be
44 at the forefront of social discourse on campus.

45 **ARTICLE II. AUTHORIZATION FOR PILOT PROGRAM**

46 **§1 AUTHORIZATION.** The Senate hereby authorizes the creation of a
47 new program titled "Bobcats United: A Town Hall Series" or
48 "Bobcats United Event" for short.

49 (a) The topic of a Bobcats United event can be established at
50 the discretion of the President or through passage of a
51 Simple Resolution.

52 (b) When a determination is made that a topic warrants a
53 Bobcats United event: The President in consultation, with
54 the Director of Student Services, will set the date for
55 the event.

56 (c) The Student Services Commission shall plan, oversee, and
57 execute the event.

58 (d) The official Seal of the Bobcats United shall be:



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60 **BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:** That upon passage this bill be
61 forwarded to Student Body President
62 Andrew Homann for further action.