

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCVIII

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 9, 2017
Devon Hall 120

Session XCVIII

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Vice Chair's Report-

Secretary's Report-

Committee Reports-

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- Communications
- Congressional Administration
- External Affairs
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- Ways and Means

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980128 – An Act Establishing the Student Environmental Coalition (Kuketz) (ConAd/Sus – rec of do pass)

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980130 – The WAM Recusal Act of 2017 (Chism) (ConAd – rec of no rec)

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980908 – A Concurrent Resolution Condemning Any and All Rollbacks of Title IX Protections for Victims of Sexual Violence (Rains-Saucedo/Bell) (HD – rec of do pass)

980909 – A Resolution in Support of Sexual Assault Awareness and Bystander Prevention Campaign (Rains-Saucedo) (HD – rec of do pass)

New Business

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Final Roll Call

Chair: Kaylee Rains-Saucedo

Vice-Chair: Sanah Lalani

Secretary: Mackenzie Cordova

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVII
October 10th, 2017

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF-16
October 15th, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980128
SENATE BILL NO.

AS INTRODUCED

An Act establishing the Student Environmental Coalition, providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “An Act Establishing the Student Environmental Coalition”.
- Section 2:** The purpose of this act shall be to establish the Student Environmental Coalition.
- Section 3:** For the purposes of this legislation, all addition shall be marked with an underline and all deletions shall be marked with a ~~strike through~~.
- Section 4:** Amending Title XI – SGA Boards, Committees, and Commissions of the Code Annotated and establishing:

Chapter 8- Student Environmental Coalition

39. Delegation Purpose

The SGA Student Environmental Coalition, “SEC,” will ensure that various environmental groups communicate well to accomplish goals in the most effective way possible and serve as environmental advisors to the campus at large.

40. Membership Requirements and Responsibilities

All students currently enrolled at the University of Oklahoma shall be eligible to submit applications. These applications shall be reviewed and interviews shall be held by the executive members. Students must remain in good standing with the University.

41. Officers

The officers of the organization shall be Chair, Vice-Chair, Communications Director, and Secretary.

a. Eligibility

Members of SEC in good academic standing will be eligible to run for office; the chair of SEC must have adequate time to devote towards stewarding the council.

b. Selection

SEC Officers will be elected by a majority vote of current SEC members.

c. Term Length and Limit

All SEC officers will be elected for one academic year.

d. Responsibilities

The Officers will work closely with the SGA and, most importantly, the various Registered Student Organizations related to Environmental Sustainability to ensure the mission of SEC is actualized.

e. Vacancies

If a vacancy arises, an ad-hoc election will be held for the corresponding position. Until that election is held, the position immediately subordinate (Descending from Chair to Vice-Chair to Secretary to Director of Communications) will serve as the interim officer; if the Secretary resigns, the Director of Communications will assume those responsibilities.

f. Officer Removal

The SEC shall have the authority to remove an officer with a simple majority with the advice and consent of the legislature.

42. Internal Proceedings

The Student Environmental Coalition shall establish rules of procedure for the internal operations for the organization. These rules shall be published and available to students upon request. Any proposed and adopted rule changes must be sent to the SGA President, Graduate Student Senate Chair, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, and Campus Activities Council Chair

43. Meetings

a. Meeting Times:

The Chair of the SEC shall establish meeting times for the full academic year by the third academic week of the fall semester. The meetings shall be open to the public and are subject to the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

b. Attendance:

Members will be allowed two excused absences (outside of academic obligations) with prior notification to Chair or Vice-Chair. An unexcused absence without notification will count as a strike, and after three strikes the membership will be under review.

44. Power and Authority

The SEC shall be empowered to create any such committees, boards, commissions, or other such entities that it deems are necessary to further its purpose.

45. Funding

The SGA Student Environmental Coalition shall be provided financial support through the Executive Branch

46. Student Advisement

The SEC shall report to the SGA Vice President for advisement on major initiatives or changes.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and SGA Code Annotated.

Author(s): Timothy Kuketz, Chair of the Sustainability Committee, Earth and Energy Representative
Daniel Williams, Social Sciences Representative

Co-Author(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Congress:
Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date:_____

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Senate:
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date:_____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date:__

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII

October 10, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980129

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure Expelling Members
of Congressional Session 98 for excessive
absences; providing for a short title;
stating purpose; and providing an effective date.

Section 1: Title. This act shall be known as “An Act Expelling Session 98 Representatives”

Section 2: Purpose. The purpose of this act shall be to expel a member for excessive absences. Because John Grunewald and Jon Yawn have accrued excessive unexcused absences and have failed to petition the Executive Committee for an attendance waiver, and as a result have failed to represent their constituents, the membership of the aforementioned is pending expulsion.

Section 3: In accordance with the Section 3.4 subsection 2 of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws, “*Upon accruing a fourth absence, the Student Congress Secretary shall prepare an act of procedure to expel any member or committee officer who has accrued excessive unexcused absences.*”

Expulsion Representative John Grunewald

Expulsion Representative Jon Yawn

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Authors: Mackenzie Cordova, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII

October 10, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980130

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act amending the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws to create a process by which Ways and Means Committee Members shall recuse themselves in instances of conflict of interest, providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “WAM Recusal Act of 2017”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to create a uniform process by which members of the Ways and Means Committee of the Undergraduate Student Congress shall recuse themselves from funding decisions in order to increase transparency and accountability.
- Section 3:** The Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws are amended as follows:

Section 12.1 WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE OBLIGATIONS

- 1) Members of the Ways and Means committee shall inform the Committee Chair of any potential conflicts of interest in funding decisions including:
 - a. Membership in the Registered Student Organization that has requested funding
 - b. Having filled out the funding application being reviewed by the Committee
 - c. Having a close personal relationship with the person who filled out the funding application
- 2) The Chair shall determine whether the potential conflict of interest constitutes a legitimate conflict of interest.
- 3) If the Chair determines that it is a legitimate conflict of interest, the committee member shall not participate in the deliberations that determine said RSO’s funding amount.
- 4) This rule shall exempt any funding request coming from any branch of the SGA
- 5) Should quorum, including the Vice Chair of Congress, be unable to be met due to the implementations of this rule, the requests shall be seen by the Ways and Means Committee and it shall be the responsibility of the Committee Chair to ensure a fair response to the request.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Hennessey Chism, Ways and Means Committee Chair

Co-Author(s): The Ways and Means Committee of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Thomas Cassidy, Congressional Administration Committee Chair

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII
October 10, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 980202

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution showing support for The Affordable College
Textbook Act and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association exists to advance the interests of the University of Oklahoma student body, and
- Whereas: Students, in the University of Oklahoma and elsewhere, are and continue to be put under material pressure through the required purchase of textbooks, and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association has too sparse power to allow for unilateral action to significantly reduce textbook prices, and
- Whereas: Senator Dick Durbin has proposed the Affordable College Textbook Act, and
- Whereas: Said act would act to ensure textbooks become more affordable for students, primarily through the creation of a fund to purchase textbook rights, allowing for the digitization and cheap sale of textbooks, and
- Whereas: Said act would act through cooperation with textbook producers, rather than through unilateral state action against them as opponents of the legislation might think, and
- Whereas: Said act is designed to cease operation after a period of time if it is found not to be effective,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

- Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate, on behalf of the students of the University of Oklahoma, encourage the United States Congress to pass The Affordable Textbook Act to decrease the financial burden on students.
- Section 2:** The Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate, on behalf of the students of the University of Oklahoma, express their desire and hope that said legislation will not negatively materially impact the lives of financially fragile researchers and students, nor common taxpayers.
- Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Senator Jim Inhofe
 - Senator James Lankford

- Representative Tom Cole
- The *OU Daily*

Authors: Dan Williams Social Sciences Representative
Joseph Hedgorth, Physical Sciences Representative

Co-Author:

Co-Sponsor:

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII

October 10, 2017

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF17

Date

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 970514

SENATE BILL NO. GF17-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2017-2018 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2017-2018.

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Biomedical Engineering Society

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$750</u>
Total:	\$750

Elite Dance Team

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$700</u>
Total:	\$700

OU Curling Club

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$2010</u>
Total:	\$2010

Society for Professional Journalists

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$310</u>
Total:	\$310

Sociology/Criminology Club

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$350</u>
Total:	\$350

Students for Justice in Palestine

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$500</u>
Total:	\$500

ASCE Concrete Canoe Team

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$916</u>
Total:	\$916

Health Law Student Association

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$640</u>
Total:	\$640

Young Life College

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$500</u>
Total:	\$500

Chinese Language Club

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$180</u>
Total:	\$180

Student Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$1050</u>
Total:	\$1050

OU Badminton Club

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$800</u>
Total:	\$800

Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$900</u>
Total:	\$900

Medical Ethics and Issues Discussion Panel

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$500</u>
Total:	\$500

The Big Event - Admin

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$2065.57</u>
Total:	\$2065.57

Angolan Student Association

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$257.34</u>
Total:	\$257.34

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$200</u>
Total:	\$200

Me Too Monologues

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$700</u>
Total:	\$700

Constitutional Studies Student Association

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$370</u>
Total:	\$370

Cate Resident Student Association	
Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$740</u>
Total:	\$740

Student Mobilization	
Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$900</u>
Total:	\$900

Association for Women in Science	
Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$100</u>
Total:	\$100

Total Allocation: 15,438.91

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in Title 12 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 4, 2018

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 4, 2018, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Hennessey Chism, Chair, SGA Budget Committee

Co-Author (s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII

October 10, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO.980515

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act authorizing the purchase of testing materials for students with funds from the Congressional Initiative Fund, providing for a short title, providing for codification, providing an effective date, and providing for distribution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Testing Materials Accessibility Act of 2017.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to provide examination green books and Scantrons for the OU student body to use for any test they may have. These green books and Scantrons will be made available in the Student Government Association Office in the Conoco Student Leadership Center, the RA offices of Couch Center, Walker Tower, Adams Center, and Cate Center, and in the clubhouses of the Traditions East apartment complex. The cost breakdown is as follows:

1500 8.5”x11” Roaring Springs Green Books at \$0.45 per book

1500 7”x8.5” Roaring Springs Green Books at \$0.35 per book

3000 Scantron forms at \$0.30 per form

8.75% sales tax

Total: \$2,283.75

Section 3: The Undergraduate Student Congress hereby authorizes the purchase and delivery of 3000 examination green books and 3000 Scantrons to be purchased, at a cost of \$2,283.75 to the Congressional Initiatives Fund, and distributed proportionally to each of the centers mentioned above.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the UOSA Constitution.

Section 5: Copies of this act shall be distributed to:
David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
Dave Annis, Director, Housing and Food Services
Community Coordinators, Traditions Square East
Center Coordinators for each tower
The OU Daily
OU Nightly

Author(s): Kimberley Bishop, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee

Co-Author(s): Kaylee Rains-Saucedo, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Congress:
Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Senate:
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII

October 10, 2017

GRADUATE STUDENT
SENATE SESSION GF-17

Date

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980704
SENATE BILL NO. GF17-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act appointing the Chair of the SGA It's On Us Taskforce; providing for codification;
providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act may be known and shall be cited as the "It's On Us Chair Appointment Act of 2017"

Section 2: PURPOSE. To appoint a Chair to the SGA It's On Us Taskforce

Section 3: In accordance with Title XI, chapter 7, section 35, subsection a of the SGACA, the following students shall be appointed to serve as Chair of the SGA It's On Us Taskforce:

- Ramsey Phelps

Section 4: This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.

Author(s): J.D. Baker, SGA President
Carrie Pavlowsky, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Kaylee Rains-Saucedo, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Alec Armer, Chair of the Campus Activities Council

Co-Author(s): Mackenzie Cordova, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Tom Cassidy, Chair of the Congressional Administration Committee

Submitted on a Motion by
Action taken by Congress:
Verified by Chair of Congress _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Senate:
Verified by Chair of Senate _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII
October 10th, 2017

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION
October 8th, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980908
SENATE BILL NO. XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution regarding the recent Title IX rollbacks made by the federal government; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 makes schools legally responsible for responding to and remedying hostile educational environments; and

Whereas: The former Title IX regulations strengthened protections for victims of sexual assault on college campuses; and

Whereas: The Dear Colleague Letter in 2011 provided guidance to schools regarding how to better handle sexual misconduct including but not limited to: 1) how to expand education for students on consent and sexual violence, 2) how to increase transparency regarding sexual assault policies and 3) how to investigate instances of sexual violence in an equitable and fair manner; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma's faculty, staff, and student body have recently implemented additional programs and initiatives to attempt to end sexual assault on campus, educate our community about the issue, and to provide increasing support for survivors; and

Whereas: Recent actions taken by the Department of Education rollback these guidelines and leave the requirements for schools ambiguous and weaken protections for sexual assault victims; and

Whereas: The guidance provided by the Department of Education in September 2017 may be detrimental to victims of sexual assault from reporting sexual violence by leaving the standard of evidence ambiguous; and

Whereas: Recent actions taken by the Department of Education go directly against the mission and goals of the recent initiatives and programs the University of Oklahoma has implemented; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE THAT:

Section 1: This Concurrent Resolution shall be called “A Resolution Condemning Any and All Rollbacks of Title IX Protections for Victims of Sexual Violence.”

Section 2: The Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate, on behalf of the students of the University of Oklahoma, condemn any and all roll backs of protections provided under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 for victims of sexual violence on college campuses.

Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of the University
- Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs
- Bobby Mason, Title IX Coordinator
- Jabar Shumate, Vice President of Student Community
- Betsy DeVos, Secretary of the Department of Education
- Candice Jackson, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Civil Rights
- James Lankford, U.S. Senator
- Jim Inhofe, U.S. Senator
- Tom Cole, U.S. Congressman
- The OU Daily
- The OU Nightly
- The OU Forum
- The Norman Transcript
- The Oklahoman
- The Tulsa World

Authors: Kaylee Rains-Saucedo, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Elizabeth Bell, Department of Political Science Senator

Co-Sponsor: Sanah Lalani, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Mackenzie Cordova, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Tasneem Al-Michael, University College Representative
Noah Coen, Language District Representative
Tom Cassidy, Chair of the Congressional Administration Committee
Ananya Bhaktaram, University College Representative
Ali Klima, Chair of the Human Diversity Committee
Rachel Lobaugh, Human Diversity Committee Member
Tyler Rivera, Human Diversity Committee Member
Julie Chen, Human Diversity Committee Member
Victoria Bergman, Human Diversity Committee Member
Kanjana Manohar, Human Diversity Committee Member
Dib Quab Lee, Human Diversity Committee Member

Submitted on a motion by:
Action taken by Congress:
Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date:

Submitted on a motion by:
Action taken by Senate:
Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date:

Verified by President: _____ Date:

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVIII
October 10th, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 980909

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution in Support of Sexual Assault Awareness and Bystander Prevention Campaign with the University of Texas Austin Student Government Association; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Student Government Association serves as the official voice of students at the University of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: Student Government serves as the official voice of students at the University of Texas Austin; and
- Whereas: Sexual assault violence is an issue that affects every demographic and community on college campuses around the country, including both the University of Oklahoma and the University of Texas Austin; and
- Whereas: Sexual assault is a prevalent issue that effects on average 1 in 5 women and 1 in 16 men on college campuses¹; and
- Whereas: OU vs Texas weekend is a time when thousands of students from both colleges travel to Dallas for the OU vs Texas football game; and
- Whereas: OU vs Texas weekend is a reported “red zone,” a time administrators and sexual violence experts define by an increased risk of sexual violence; and
- Whereas: Research affirms the effectiveness of sexual assault prevention through select educational and awareness programs²; and
- Whereas: The Interpersonal Violence Coalition at the University of Texas Austin is putting on a campaign to raise awareness around sexual assault and bystander intervention before OU vs. Texas weekend by passing out flyers, speaking to organizations, and promoting a social media campaign; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association is promoting the campaign to raise awareness around sexual assault and bystander intervention before OU vs. Texas weekend by passing out flyers, speaking to organizations, and promoting a social media campaign.

¹ National Sexual Violence Resource Center. Information and Statistics Regarding Sexual Assault on College Campuses. http://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/publications_nsvrc_factsheet_media-packet_campus-sexual-assault.pdf

² <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1359178914000536>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association and the University of Texas Austin Student Government stand together in combatting sexual assault on our campuses, raising awareness of this issue, and promoting resources to help the victims of sexual assault; and therefore

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Gregory L Fenves, President of the University of Texas Austin
- Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs at the University of Oklahoma
- Dr. Sonica Reagins-Lilly, Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs at the University of Texas Austin
- Jabar Shumate, Vice President of Student Community
- Alejandrina Guzman, SGA President at UT Austin
- The OU Daily
- The Daily Texan

Author: Kaylee Rains-Saucedo, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Sponsor: Madison Huerta, Speaker of the House at the University of Texas at Austin
Sanah Lalani, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Mackenzie Cordova, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Tasneem Al-Michael, University College Representative
Noah Coen, Language District Representative
Tom Cassidy, Chair of the Congressional Administration Committee
Ananya Bhaktaram, University College Representative
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Julie Chen, Human Diversity Committee Member
Victoria Bergman, Human Diversity Committee Member
Kanjana Manohar, Human Diversity Committee Member
Dib Quab Lee, Human Diversity Committee Member

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____