

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CVIII

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, November 29th, 2022

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**Call to Order**

**Opening Roll Call**

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Undergraduate Student Congress is to represent the interests of undergraduate students in their pursuit of academic and individual achievement. The Undergraduate Student Congress is committed to building a strong campus community, promoting civic engagement, and enhancing the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Oklahoma.

**Moment of Silence:** 20 Second Moment of Silence to allow an opportunity for reflection.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Officer Reports -**

- **Chair's Report:**
- **Vice Chair's Report:**
- **Secretary's Report:**

**Committee Reports-**

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:**
- **Congressional Administration:**
- **External Affairs:**
- **Human Diversity:**
- **Sustainability:**
- **University Policy:**
- **Ways and Means:**

**Liaison Reports**

**Special Orders**

- Food Pantry Presentation
- Committee of the whole
- CR-108-22 "OU SGA definition of Islamophobia" (Reese/Berggren)
- CR-108-23 "Bob Stoops Appreciation Act" (Kathuria)
- AB-108-07 "Drink Safe Technology Act of 2022" (Lewis)

**Student Concern Link**

**Items to Be Considered**

**Follow-Up Reports**

**Items for Future Agenda**

**Announcements and Comments**  
**Final Roll Call**  
**Adjourn Sine Die**

Chair: Lacey Lewis  
Vice-Chair: Bailey Trautman  
Secretary: Amelia Landry

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-108-22  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution in support of the Norman  
Muslim community, through properly defining  
Islamophobia; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: 60% of Muslims are experiencing varying measures of prejudice;
- Whereas: Muslims are disproportionately affected by religious discrimination<sup>1</sup>;
- Whereas: Islamophobic events rose by 4% from 2020 to 2022<sup>2</sup>;
- Whereas: Approximately 12,000 Oklahoma residents are Muslim<sup>3</sup>;
- Whereas: Muslim students at the University of Oklahoma have experienced Islamophobia in some shape or form while attending campus or in the Norman Community;
- Whereas: Additional students may have witnessed or experienced Islamophobia but failed to raise concern due to fear, retaliation, etc.; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “OU SGA definition of Islamophobia.”

**Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma students, faculty, and staff recognizes any acts of Islamophobia that Muslim students at the University of Oklahoma have experienced and/or witnessed.

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<sup>1</sup> Moghed, Dalia, and Erum Ikramullah. American Muslim Poll 2020: Amid Pandemic and Protest. Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, 2020.

<sup>2</sup> Moghed, Dalia & Ikramullah, Erum. American Muslim Poll 2022: A Politics and Pandemic Status Report. August 2022: Institute for Social Policy and Understanding.

<sup>3</sup> Soltani, Adam. “Guide to Islam and Muslims in Oklahoma.” CAIR Oklahoma, CAIR Oklahoma, 13 July 2022, <https://www.cairoklahoma.com/islamguide/>.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association will adopt the following non-legally binding working definition for Islamophobia, which reads as follows:

- “Islamophobia is an extreme fear of and hostility toward Islam and Muslims. It often leads to hate speech and hate crimes, social and political discrimination, can be used to rationalize policies such as mass surveillance, incarceration, and disenfranchisement, and can influence domestic and foreign policy<sup>4</sup>”.

**Section 4:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association will utilize the following examples of Islamophobia identified by Bridge to further educate the student body on forms of Islamophobia, including but not limited to:

- Calling for, aiding, or justifying the killing or harming of Muslims in the name of radical ideology or an extremist view of religion.
- Making mendacious, dehumanizing, demonizing, or stereotypical allegations about Muslims.
- Accusing Muslims as a people of being responsible for real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a single Muslim person or group, or even for acts committed by non-Muslims.
- Accusing Muslim citizens of being more loyal to the alleged priorities of Muslims worldwide, than to the interests of their own nations.

**Section 5:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Joseph Harroz
- Dr. Belinda Hyppolite, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Dr. David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- Quy Nguyen, Director of Student Life
- The OU Daily
- The OU Nightly
- All OU Norman Campus Students

Author(s): Nathanael Reese, Engineering Representative

Co-Author(s): Carolyn Berggren, Human Diversity Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

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<sup>4</sup> Hafez, Farid, and Arsalan Iftikhar. “What Is Islamophobia?” Bridge Initiative. Georgetown University, 2018. <https://bridge.georgetown.edu/about-us/what-is-islamophobia/>.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-108-23  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXF-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the  
accomplishments and legacy of Coach Bob Stoops  
and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Coach Bob Stoops was the head coach for the University of Oklahoma for 18 seasons; and
- Whereas: He has an overall record of 191-48 serving as head coach; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma football team won ten Big 12 championships under the leadership of Coach Stoops; and
- Whereas: He never had a losing season while serving as head coach; and
- Whereas: Coach Stoops is currently the only coach to have won all four BCS Bowl Games and a BCS Championship Game; and
- Whereas: He has been a tremendous ambassador for the University of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: Coach Stoops has made a positive impact on student athletes both on and off the field; and
- Whereas: He voluntarily took on the role as interim head coach and stabilized the football program on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE  
STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING  
THEREIN THAT:

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Bob Stoops Appreciation Act.”

**Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association honors and appreciates Coach Stoops for his excellence in coaching the football team for 18 seasons and dedication towards the University of Oklahoma.

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

- The OU Daily
- Joe Harroz, University of Oklahoma President
- Joe Castiglione, Director of Athletics
- Coach Bob Stoops

Author(s): Shrey Kathuria, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Garrett Johnson, Member of SGA  
Beth Felkner, Executive Cabinet Member

Co-Sponsor(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:

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-108-07  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXF-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation authorizing the use of SGA  
funding to provide funding for Drink Safe  
Technology Coasters, providing for a short title,  
providing for codification, providing an effective date;  
and providing for distribution.

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

**Section 1:** Title: This Act shall be known and may be cited as the “Drink Safe Technology Act of 2022.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to provide funds for the creation of 500 drug testing coasters, for students, from Drink Safe Technology. These coasters will be made available for students in the Student Government Association Office in the Archie Dunham Conoco Student Leadership Center. Members of the Student Government Association will also have the option to pass these materials out to students during tabling events.

**Section 3:** The Undergraduate Student Congress hereby authorizes the appropriation of \$656.25 from the SGA Fund for the purpose.

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

Author(s): Lacey Lewis, Chairwoman of the USC

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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: \_\_\_\_\_