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A Resolution Calling for the Standardization and Implementation of Building Maps in LSA Buildings

A bill for the consideration of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government

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Whereas, the mission of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government (hereafter LSA SG) is to “actively seek the voices of LSA students and advocate their interests to improve academic and non-academic life”;¹ and,

Whereas, many College of Literature Science and the Arts (hereafter LSA) buildings do not have maps that show where classrooms, bathrooms, stairs, elevators, and accessible entrances are located; and,

Whereas, students must navigate to different classes in new buildings every semester and it is difficult to plan routes to the classroom ahead of time due to the lack of building maps online; and,

Whereas, students must arrive on time to exams which are often held in unfamiliar rooms; and,

Whereas, freshmen and transfer students will find it especially difficult to find their classes, which will further the difficulty of attending the University; and,

Whereas, the fact that building maps with classroom numbers exist in some LSA buildings, such as Mason Hall, East Hall, and the C.C. Little Science Building but not others, such as Lorch Hall, Weiser Hall, and the Modern Languages Buildings leads to additional confusion among students; and,

Whereas, buildings that do have maps do not have a standard placement for them; and,

Whereas, the LSA’s facility architecture is extremely diverse and the standardization of maps could provide a uniting factor for students when navigating LSA buildings; and,

Whereas, the standardization of maps can encourage diversity and inclusion among students by indicating the locations of accessible entrances and areas; and,

Be it therefore resolved, LSA SG calls upon the University of Michigan Facilities and Operations to install maps of building spaces with classroom numbers, accessible entrances, bathrooms, and elevators indicated, opposite the entrance of every stairwell in LSA buildings; and,

¹ The Constitution of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government. Article II

Be it finally resolved, LSA SG will send a letter and a copy of this resolution to Director of LSA Facilities and Operations, Robert Johnston, and Associate Director of LSA Facilities and Operations, Daniel Rife.