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A Resolution to Promote the Use of Green Books

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 University of Michigan and College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (hereafter LSA) students are required to buy Blue or Green Books for their exams; and,

Whereas, the only difference between Blue and Green Books, besides color, is that Green Books are made out of recycled material, making them more sustainable; and,

Whereas, in course syllabi, professors often only mention purchasing Blue Books for exams, although they will accept both Green or Blue Books; and,

Whereas, many students are unaware of the existence of Green Books, their interchangeability with Blue Books, and the fact that they cost the same as Blue Books; and,

Whereas, the Central Student Government (hereafter CSG) passed Resolution AR-6-010 “A Resolution to Promote Green Books”; and,

Whereas, CSG and the Taking Responsibility for the Earth and the Environment Subcommittee (hereafter TREES) of LSA SG will be holding an event in Mason Hall to distribute Green Books to students to help raise awareness of Green Books.

Be it therefore resolved, LSA SG supports increased advertisement of Green Books in course syllabi - ideally equal to that of Blue Books; and,

Be it further resolved, TREES shall reach out to Barnes and Noble, Ulrichs, and other retailers of Blue and Green Books to request they post signage emphasizing the equivalence of, and sole difference between, Blue and Green Books; and,

Be it finally resolved, a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the heads of all LSA Programs and Departments, LSA Assistant Dean Marjorie Horton, LSA Associate Dean Angela Dillard, and LSA Dean Andrew Martin.

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