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**A Resolution Allocating \$3,000 from the General Fund to Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs for Black History Month**

*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”;<sup>1</sup> and,

**Whereas**, the Diversity Affairs Committee (hereafter DAC) recognizes the importance of promoting events related to the representation of marginalized and minority communities in the pursuit of diversity and inclusion; and,

**Whereas**, DAC shall “advocate for and assist in the College implementation of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion”;<sup>2</sup> and,

**Whereas**, “DAC will establish and maintain contacts with organizations aimed at promoting equality for communities”;<sup>3</sup> and,

**Whereas**, as a part of DAC’s commitment to collaboration, it “shall work with University groups pertaining to diversity issues such as the Services for Students with Disabilities office, the Spectrum Center, the Center for Educating Women, the Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives, and the Office of Multi-ethnic Students Affairs”;<sup>4</sup> and,

**Whereas**, Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs (hereafter MESA) is seeking a total of \$3,000 to professionally stream opening and closing ceremonies related to Black History Month event planning via Michigan Media, to rent spaces on campus, including but not limited to rooms, auditoriums, and ballrooms, to conduct events and display pertinent documentaries, and to compensate guest speakers; and,

**Whereas**, promoting and sponsoring Black History Month initiatives is in line with LSA SG’s goals to uplift the experiences of marginalized communities.

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

<sup>2</sup> The Bylaws of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government, 13.02.01 “Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion”.

<sup>3</sup> The Bylaws of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government, 13.02.02a “Student Organization Outreach”.

<sup>4</sup> The Bylaws of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government, 13.02.02d “Collaboration”.

**Be it therefore resolved,** LSA SG will pledge \$3,000 from the General Fund to sponsor MESA's initiatives pertaining to Black History Month in February 2022; and,

**Be it further resolved,** LSA SG stipulates that LSA SG be recognized on all printed and advertising materials related to MESA's sponsorship of events in Black History Month; and,

**Be it further resolved,** LSA SG directs the President to deliver this resolution to MESA upon its passage to notify them of our support; and,

**Be it further resolved,** LSA SG directs the External Relations Officer and the Executive Board generally to promote MESA's Black History Month events throughout the month of February both in the DC email and also on the LSA SG social media accounts; and,

**Be it finally resolved,** upon passage of this resolution, the Treasurer of LSA SG will as soon as possible move to transfer the funds to MESA.