

**R W2017.04**

**A Resolution to Co-Sponsor the Middle East and Arab Network's Middle Eastern & North African Community Gathering**

*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 mission statement of the LSA SG Diversity Affairs Committee includes addressing issues of inclusion and social justice;<sup>2</sup> and,

**Whereas**, the University's strategic plan for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion encourages student activism in promoting inclusive campus environments and community accountability initiatives<sup>3</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, the Middle East and Arab Network (hereafter MEdAN) at the University is an event-based, social justice-oriented student organization dedicated to amplifying student voice and creating opportunities for dialogue both across and within communities;<sup>4</sup> and,

**Whereas**, MEdAN is holding a Middle Eastern & North African Community Gathering, a space for affected students to gather and discuss their personal feelings and the current state of affairs, on Monday, February 6th from 7:30pm to 10:00pm in East Quad 1423.

**Be it therefore resolved**, LSA SG shall co-sponsor this event, aiding in terms of staff and allocating \$300 from the General Fund to MEdAN for advertising materials and food costs; and,

**Be it further resolved**, the LSA SG logo shall appear on all official publications and advertising materials for the event; and,

**Be it finally resolved**, the Treasurer of LSA SG will immediately transfer the funds to MEdAN's SOAS Account.

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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> <https://lsa.umich.edu/lasg/committees/diversity-affairs-committee.html>

<sup>3</sup> <https://diversity.umich.edu/strategic-plan/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://maizepages.umich.edu/organization/MEdAN/about>