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Subject: Student Union Resolution: Reserve Officers' Training Corps Credit

Dear campus partners,

I am happy to announce the passage of the first resolution of the new Student Union term. The resolution passed unanimously by Student Union Senate in a meeting this past Wednesday April 9, 2014.

The resolution passed by the Senate pertains to the approaching faculty vote regarding ROTC course credit in the school of Arts & Sciences. The resolution was presented to the Senate by Senator and first year student CJ Harrington, who has worked together with students in the ROTC program to address their concerns over course credit. These recommendations are meant to reflect the values held by the student body regarding ROTC course credit.

Resolutions by Student Union Senate serve to voice concerns that students feel need to be brought to the administration. Senators draft and present resolutions to the 20 Senators elected by all five academic divisions. Once passed, these resolutions are then sent to applicable administrators and publicized to the student body.

Thank you for all you do to improve the Washington University experience and willingness to respond to student opinion!

Best,

Emma

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Student Union

The Student Government of Washington University

Resolution for Reserve Officers' Training Corps Credit

09 April 2014

Whereas Washington University in St. Louis is committed to providing an atmosphere in which its students can succeed,

Whereas Washington University in St. Louis believes in helping students accomplish their goals,

Whereas Washington University in St. Louis ROTC students (henceforth referred to as cadets) must take one class per semester for four years, along with labs and field training (totaling about fifteen hours per week) in addition to completing all of their required credits for graduation,

Whereas Washington University in St. Louis only offers ROTC classes for credit in the Engineering School if a cadet's petition is approved,

Whereas Lieutenant Colonel David Waters, Director of the Gateway Battalion, notes that not offering ROTC for credit is a key reason why potential cadets choose not to attend Washington University in St. Louis, given that other similar schools (e.g. Cornell, Duke, and Vanderbilt) offer ROTC classes for credit,

Whereas Washington University in St. Louis allows its varsity athletes to earn one credit for an athletic season,

Whereas it is understood that there will be a faculty vote on whether or not to allow for ROTC classes to be for credit in the School of Arts & Sciences on April 15, 2014, therefore be it,

Resolved, that Washington University in St. Louis offer ROTC classes for credit in every school at this university by Fall Semester 2014.



CJ Harrington
Senate Sponsor



Sawyer Kelly
Speaker of the Senate



Emma Tyler
Student Union President