



The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

S.R. 71-08

The Student Senate
71st Session
Texas A&M University

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Action Taken PASSED

Certified By: M. Parker
Mitch Parker
Speaker of the Senate

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Resolution

"A resolution which supports victims of domestic violence and recognizes the issue of domestic violence"



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- Whereas(1):** Domestic Violence Awareness Month was first nationally observed in October of 1987 by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and
- Whereas(2):** The types of domestic violence include; emotional abuse, physical abuse, financial abuse, digital abuse, and sexual abuse; and,
- Whereas(3):** Domestic violence is prevalent in every community, and affects all people regardless of age, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, ethnicity, documented status, or nationality; and,
- Whereas(4):** According to the United States Department of Justice, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have been victims of severe physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and
- Whereas(5):** According to the United States Department of Justice, intimate partner violence is most common against women between the ages of 18-24; and,
- Whereas(6):** According to the United States Department of Justice, intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime; and,
- Whereas(7):** According to the Women’s Institute for Leadership Development for Human Rights, women of color, high rates of poverty, poor education, limited job resources, language barriers, and communities fearing deportation face increased difficulty finding help and support services; and,
- Whereas(8):** According to the National Violence Against Women Survey, African American females in particular experience intimate partner violence at a rate 35% higher than that of white females, and about 2.5 times higher than that of women of other races; and,
- Whereas(9):** In an Asian and Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence Survey, 41-60% of API respondents in the United States reported experiencing Domestic Violence during their lifetimes; and,
- Whereas(10):** According to the United States Department of Justice, 23.4% of Hispanic/Latino females are victims of intimate partner violence in a lifetime, defined by rape, physical assault, or stalking; and



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Whereas(11): According to The National Violence Against Women Survey, 37.5% of American/Alaskan Indian women are victimized by interpersonal violence in a lifetime; and,

Whereas(12): Texas A&M University “strives to maintain a work and educational environment free from discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and related retaliation in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws.”(Student Rule 47)

Therefore

Let it be

Resolved(1): That the Texas A&M Student Senate, on behalf of the students of Texas A&M University, publicly denounces all forms of domestic violence regardless of age, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, ethnicity, immigration status, or nationality; and

Let it be

Further

Resolved(2): That the Texas A&M Student Senate, on behalf of the students of Texas A&M University, supports victims of domestic violence on their journey towards self-recovery; and,

Let it be

Further

Resolved(3): That the Texas A&M Student Senate appreciates the work of university offices, community resources, and student organizations working toward helping survivors such as HelpLine, Student Assistance Services, and the Brazos Sexual Assault Resource Center; and,

Let it be

Further

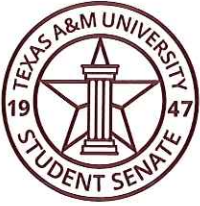
Resolved(4): A copy of this resolution be sent to:

The Battalion

Michael Young, President of Texas A&M University

Dr. Daniel Pugh, Vice President of Student Affairs

Dr. Maggie Gartner, Director of Student Counseling Services



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Dr. Anne Reber, Dean of Student Life
Dr. Jennifer M. Smith, Title IX Coordinator