



The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

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Texas A&M University


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Action Taken

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Certified By:


Joseph Hood
Speaker of the Senate

Gig The Vote Resolution

"A resolution to urge and request all Texas A&M University students, faculty, and staff to register to vote by October 11th, 2016."

Whereas(1): Texas A&M University is striving to get more students, faculty, and staff involved in the democratic process and exercise their civic duty; and,



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Whereas(2): With the creation of Gig The Vote, a nonpartisan SGA initiative aimed to increase Aggies' voting participation in Brazos County, our student leaders should contribute to the voter registration movement by supporting the initiative; and,

Whereas(3): In 2014, 58% of all college aged students were not registered to vote; and,

Whereas(4): Voting is the right and obligation of all eligible citizens, and only 41% of eligible college aged voters participated in the 2012 elections; and,

Whereas(5): A unified student, faculty, and staff commitment by Texas A&M University to vote could result in a commitment of the Texas state legislature to Texas students; and,

Whereas(6): This election cycle will decide the direction of the United States of America for years to come, and young people aged 18-29 constitute for nearly a quarter of the electorate; and,

Whereas(7): In 2015, only 19% of students at Texas A&M University were registered to vote in Brazos County; and,

Whereas(8): By increasing voter turnout both at Texas A&M University and in the Brazos County area, we can contribute as a unified campus to Gig the Vote.

Therefore

Let it be

Resolved(1): That Texas A&M Student Government supports the efforts of Gig the Vote encourages all students, staff, and faculty to register to vote by October 11th, 2016, in order to exemplify civic engagement, campus unity, and active participation in this year's election cycle.

Let it be

Further

Resolved(2): That a copy of this resolution be sent to:

President Michael K. Young

Tommy Williams, Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations

Dr. Daniel Pugh, Vice President of Student Affairs

Michael O'Quinn, Vice President of Governmental Affairs

College Station City Council

The Battalion