



The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

S.R. 71-33

Texas A&M University
The Student Senate
71st Session

Latinx Graduation Ceremony Resolution

"A resolution stating that the Texas A&M Student Senate supports the creation of a Latinx Graduation Ceremony"

Action Taken: PASSED

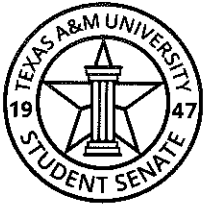
Certified By: M. Parker
Mitch Parker
Speaker of the Senate

Date Passed: 2/20/19

Introduced By: Adel Quntar, Diversity and Inclusion Chair, College of Engineering
Ashali Chimata, Student Services Chair, College of Liberal Arts
Andrea Flores, Class of 2019 President
Carlo Chunga, Chair of Council for Minority Student Affairs
Vanessa Fernandez, Chair of Latinx Community and Advocacy Association
Metzli Sanchez Campos, Hispanic Presidents' Council

Sponsored By: Clarissa Rodriguez, College of Engineering
Alejandra Moreno, College of Education
Joel Salazar, College of Geosciences
Perla Lopez, College of Liberal Arts
Zachary Huebschman, Off Campus Caucus

Whereas(1): Part of Texas A&M University's mission statement is to welcome and serve persons of all racial, ethnic and geographical groups; and,



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Whereas(2): As of Fall 2018, Hispanic undergraduate enrollment was a record of 12,988, roughly 24 percent of total undergraduate enrollment, moving Texas A&M closer to the 25 percent threshold to be designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution; and,

Whereas(3): Hispanic students currently make up around 21.3 percent of the student body adding up to 14,750 students; and,

Whereas(4): Peer universities such as Harvard, UC Berkeley, Ohio State and the University of Texas host annual Latinx graduation ceremonies to recognize the accomplishments of Latina/o graduates; and,

Therefore

Let it be

Resolved(1): The Texas A&M Student Senate supports and encourages the establishment of the inaugural latinx graduation ceremony taking place May 8th; and,

Let it be

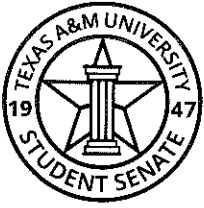
Further

Resolved(2): The Texas A&M Student Senate calls upon administration to support this program to ensure the success of this ceremony and future ones; and,

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Further

Resolved(3): The Texas A&M Student Senate recognizes these underrepresented student experiences and the need for a space for them to reflect on their accomplishments and celebrate this success within their familial and cultural context; and,



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Further

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

President Michael K. Young, Texas A&M University

Dr. Carol A. Fierke, Provost and Executive Vice President, Texas A&M
University

Dr. Daniel J. Pugh Sr., Vice President of Student Affairs, Texas A&M University

Dr. Robin R. Means-Coleman, Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion, Texas
A&M University

Dr. Tonya Driver, Director, Department of Multicultural Services

Council of Minority Student Affairs, Texas A&M University

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