Texas A&M University
The Student Senate
72nd Session

In Support of DRAGgieland Resolution

"A resolution in support of freedom of expression and LGBTQ+ culture."

Action Taken: PASSED

Date Passed: 2/10/2020

Certified By: Eric Mendoza
Speaker of the Senate

Introduced By: Hunter Martin, Off Campus Caucus
Collin Tran, Off Campus Caucus
Iman Ahmed, On Campus Caucus

Sponsored By: Dang Dang, Off Campus Caucus
Clarissa Rodriguez, Diversity and Inclusion Chair, Engineering Caucus
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Cody Price, Health Science Center
Hannah Spurr, Constituency Affairs Chair, Liberal Arts Caucus

Whereas(1): MSC Town Hall in collaboration with the Texas A&M LGBTQ+ Pride Center is hosting DRAGgieland 2020 on February 19th; and,

Whereas(2): This is the first on-campus drag show in the history of the university; and,
Whereas(3): Tickets for the event are already fully sold out, and many Aggies are excited to see an event that expands diversity and inclusion of different cultures, and LGBTQ+ orientations and backgrounds; and,

Whereas(4): DRAGgieland is fully funded by ticket sales for the event, and,

Whereas(5): President Michael K. Young addressed the backlash towards the event stating that “our academic community is enriched and strengthened by those who bring new perspectives, new ideas and new innovations to the heart of our campus.”

Therefore
Let it be
Resolved(1): The 72nd session of the Student Senate recognizes DRAGgieland as an event that commemorates and celebrates LGBTQ+ culture on our campus; and,

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Further
Resolved(2): The Student Senate stands against discrimination and hate of all kinds, including homophobic and transphobic rhetoric; and,

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Resolved(3): The Student Senate recognizes that DRAGgieland is in alignment with Texas A&M University’s core values, and rejects calls for its cancellation; and,

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Resolved(4): The Texas A&M Student Senate respects students' first amendment right to the freedom of expression, as long as it does not harm the students of the university; and,

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Resolved(5): The Student Senate welcomes the world famous Drag Queen Monique Heart to Aggieland; and,
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Further
Resolved(6): A copy of this resolution be sent to:
Michael K. Young, President of Texas A&M University
Dr. Robin R. Means Coleman, Associate Provost for Diversity
Monique Heart
LGBTQ+ Pride Center
MSC Town Hall
MUA Ags
The Battalion