The Student Senate
Texas A&M University

S.R. 73-02

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73rd Session

Aggies Facing Financial Hardship Resolution

“"A resolution in support of students of Texas A&M University that have fallen on financial hardship due to the outbreak of COVID-19.""

Action Taken: Passed

Certified By: Zachary McCue
Speaker of the Senate

Date Passed: 4-29-20

Introduced By: Dylan Bohn, Mays Business Caucus
Fawaz Syed, Student Services Chair, Engineering Caucus

Sponsored By: John Carter Teague, Finance Chair, COALS Caucus
Joshua Feldman, Legislative Relations Chair, Off-Campus Caucus
Tyler Smith, COALS Caucus
Jack Merritt, On Campus Caucus

Whereas(1): As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in the past five weeks, jobless claims in America have increased by 26 million; and,

Whereas(2): Since March, jobless claims in the state of Texas have increased by 1.3 million; and,

Whereas(3): Current students and their families may be struggling to pay tuition, rent, and other bills due to this growing economic crisis; and,

Whereas(4): In response to the financial hardships caused by the impact of COVID-19, the Texas A&M Foundation is directing the Texas A&M University Disaster Relief Fund to aid Aggie students and employees who are struggling to find alternative housing, facing food insecurity, or lost wages.

Therefore
Let it be
Resolved(1): The 73rd session of the Student Senate stands in support of all Aggies who are struggling with financial hardship due to the outbreak of COVID-19; and,

Let it be
Further
Resolved(2): The 73rd Session of Student Senate extends tremendous gratitude to the generous donors of the Texas A&M COVID-19 Disaster Relief Fund; and,

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Further
Resolved(3): The 73rd Session of Student Senate encourages Aggies to use resources provided to the student body by the Texas A&M Disaster Relief Fund (financialaid.tamu.edu/Emergency-Aid), which includes financial aid packages, short term loans, Emergency Tuition and Fees loans, information on food pantries, connection to government assistance, and general information on student assistance; and encourages any questions to be directed to the Office of Financial Aid.

Let it be
Further
Resolved(4): A copy of this resolution be sent to:
Tyson Voelkel, President of Texas A&M Foundation
Dr. Daniel J. Pugh Sr., Vice President of Student Affairs
The Battalion
Further Sponsored By: Mikayla Nasis, On Campus Caucus
Victor Ferro, Engineering Caucus
Cole Allen, Mays Caucus
Iman Ahmed, Diversity and Inclusion, Off Campus Caucus
Clarissa Rodriguez, Constituency Affairs, Engineering Caucus
Kieran Tillis, Engineering Caucus
Shaila Ramirez, College of Science Caucus
Joseph Rodgers, Off Campus Caucus
Emily Lucas, Ed & Human Development Caucus
David Garcia, Off Campus Caucus
Garrett Lindsey, Transition Academic Programs
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Ximena Reynoso, Liberal Arts Caucus
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