This Resolution Shall Henceforth Be Known As the “Recommendation to Support Student Choice at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley”

PURPOSE

To recommend the input of students when selecting an athletics mascot at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

Whereas: Article VI of the Constitution of The University of Texas at San Antonio’s Student Government Association reads: “The duties and responsibilities of the SGA General Assembly shall be: To review, discuss, consider, and take any necessary action through legislation on all issues which concern the campus or students which are brought to the floor”; and

Whereas: The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and The University of Texas at San Antonio are schools who operate within the same system; and

Whereas: Many of the interests at the University of Texas at San Antonio are shared by the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley; and

Whereas: The University of Texas at San Antonio recently established a football team with input from the students; and

Whereas: The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley is establishing their athletics program; and

Whereas: The voting process would give students of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley a voice in the selection of their mascot much like how the students of The University of Texas at San Antonio voted for the establishment of a football team; and

Whereas: This process can produce a unified sense of community throughout the campus, which is beneficial to any growing university environment; and

Whereas: HB 901 is currently being considered by the 84th Texas Legislature’s House Committee on Higher Education; and

Therefore be it resolved: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association hereby recommends that the 84th Texas Legislature House Committee on Higher Education recommend the favorable report of HB 901; and

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Zack Dunn - SGA President