This Resolution Shall Henceforth Be Known As the “Recommendation to Establish Policies on Sexual Assault”

PURPOSE

To recommend that public and private institutions of higher education establish formal policies regarding campus sexual assault.

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: HB 699 and HB 808 is currently being considered by the 84th Texas Legislature’s House Committee on Higher Education; and

Whereas: The University of Texas Student Advisory Council took an official stance regarding campus sexual assault policy, stating, “The University of Texas System Student Advisory Council strongly believes that sexual assault policy should be carefully considered in order to better protect and provide safe campus environments for UT System students”; and

Whereas: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association believes that allegations of sexual assault should be handled with the utmost importance; and

Whereas: Public and private institutions of higher learning should have formal policies and procedures when interacting with matters of campus sexual assault; and

Whereas: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association believes that resources regarding campus sexual assault should be made known to students, faculty, and staff; and

Whereas: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association believes public and private institutions of higher education should have a task force dedicated to matters of campus sexual assault; and

Whereas: A well established and dedicated task force will help handle matters of campus sexual assault in an effective fashion; 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 699 and HB 808; and


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Zack Dunn - SGA President