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A Resolution Formally Supporting the Implementation of Mandatory Student **Evaluations in Every Course**

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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Approved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body, and prepared for the presentation to the president of the Undergraduate Student Government.

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Approved by the president of the Undergraduate Student Government, and so ordered into effect.

Paul Garbarino Speaker of the Senate

Hannah Cubberley

President of the Undergraduate Student Government

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In the senate of the Undergraduate Student Body here assembled,

- 1. Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government represents the undergraduate student voice
- 2. at Bowling Green State University; and
- 3. Whereas, Bowling Green State University and the Undergraduate Student Government
- 4. aim to ensure all student voices are represented within the Senate; and
- 5. Whereas, Bowling Green State University states in the BGSU Strategic Plan of 2018-2023
- 6. the core values of intellectual growth, excellence in teaching, and a demonstrably superior
- 7. education; and
- 8. Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government values quality education, students'
- 9. academic success, and how they affect students' overall college experience; and
- 10. Whereas, student course evaluations of teaching are not concerned with tenure, merit, and
- 11. promotion, rather perpetual improvement of education; and
- 12. Whereas, the university wide evaluation of teaching and learning program questions piloted
- 13. by the Office of Academic Assessment have been worded in a way to limit ambiguity and
- 14. response bias; and
- 15. Whereas, other accredited higher learning institutions have seen success in mandated student
- 16. course evaluations of teaching and thereby able to ameliorate course specific concerns; and
- 17. Whereas, the students of Bowling Green State University believe that having mandatory
- 18. student course specific evaluations of teaching would empower students to vocalize concerns
- 19. And provide administrators specific feedback regarding inadequacies in teaching; and
- 20. Whereas, the students of Bowling Green State University believe that having mandatory
- 21. student course specific evaluations of teaching would improve the academic conditions and
- 22. pedagogical concerns for themselves and future students
- 23. Therefore, let it be resolved that, the Undergraduate Student Government of Bowling
- 24. Green State University hereby formally supports the implementation of a policy concerning
- 25. mandatory student course specific evaluations of teaching through the university wide
- 26. evaluation of teaching and learning program.

27. **Therefore**, **let it further be resolved that**, the Undergraduate Student Government asks the 28. University to honor the voice of its student body and consider creating and implementing a policy that mandates the use of student course specific evaluations in every course

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Passes by the Senate and ordered presented to the president of the Undergraduate Student Body for Approval or Veto.

Paul Ga	rba	rino)
Speaker	of	the	Senate

I do hereby approve and order the legislation into effect.

Hannah Cubberley

President of the Undergraduate Student Government

I do hereby disapprove and order the legislation returned to the Senate.

Hannah Cubberley

President of the Undergraduate Student Government