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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 order into effect.

Gabriel Wagner
Speaker of the Senate

Alexander Chiarelott
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 aim to
4. ensure all student voices are represented within the Senate; and

5. Whereas, House Bill 371 creates opportunity for breast cancer screenings to be covered by
6. healthcare providers and/or the state; and

7. Whereas, breast cancer is the most common cancer for women in the United States; and

8. Whereas, 1 in every 8 women will get breast cancer within their lifetime; and

9. Whereas, African American women are most likely to die from this illness; and

10. Whereas, there are students on BGSU's campus that have battled breast cancer in the past or
11. are currently battling; and

12. Whereas, a mammogram is the use of an x-ray to detect early signs of breast cancer; and

13. Whereas, the use of mammograms and other screening options cost around $70-$170 in
14. Ohio for those under the age of forty without insurance; and

15. Whereas, advancements in treatments and early detection programs are said to have
16. decreased the percentage of women that die from breast cancer by 41% in the past 28 years; and

1. House Bill 371 | The Ohio Legislature
2. National Breast Cancer Foundation
3. CDC: What Is a Mammogram
4. Mira: Cost of A Mammogram
5. Breast Cancer Statistics
18. **Whereas**, there are several factors that put individuals at an increased risk of developing
19. breast cancer, including the presence of dense breast tissue, a family history of breast cancer
20. and having reproductive and/or menstrual history\(^6\); and

21. **Whereas**, having more cost efficient and advanced screening options available to the citizens
22. of Ohio, especially those at a higher risk of getting breast cancer, would increase their
23. chances of detecting the cancer and surviving the illness; and

24. **Whereas**, the passing of this bill will encourage screening for women, as low screening rates
25. are in part due to the fear of unwanted test results\(^7\); and

26. **Therefore, let it be resolved that** the Undergraduate Student Government supports the
27. passing of Ohio House Bill 371; and

28. **Let it be Further Resolved**, that Bowling Green State University should be a safe and
29. supportive space for those on campus battling breast cancer; and

30. **Let it be Further Resolved**, that BGSU will advocate for and support those battling breast
31. cancer in making resources like early detection mammograms available to students on
32. campus, and creating programs on campus that educate students about how to conduct
33. physical self examinations.

\(^6\) *Cancer Care: The Risk Factors of Breast Cancer*

\(^7\) *Breast Cancer Screening Rates*
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Passed by the Senate and ordered presented to the president of the Undergraduate Student Body for Approval or Veto.

Gabriel Wagner
Speaker of the Senate

I do hereby approve and order this legislation into effect.

Alexander Chiarelott
President of the Undergraduate Student Government

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

Alexander Chiarelott
President of the Undergraduate Student Government