RESOLUTION#: RES 09-16

TITLE: A resolution calling for increased academic resources regarding gender and sexuality

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Whereas, the current course catalog offers minimal choices for students interested in learning more about sexuality, queer and gender issues, and

Whereas, increasing student exposure to diverse populations of unique types of people benefits the individuals and the community, and

Whereas, the Princeton Review ranked the University of Tennessee as the 5th least LGBTQ+ friendly campus in the country[1], and

Whereas, the majority of the top 25 public research institutions offer more resources than the University of Tennessee dedicated to this subject, and

Whereas, providing interested students courses and resources to learn more about a wide variety of subjects helps to promote a vibrant and diverse campus culture,
Whereas, more resources and coursework about gender and sexuality would appeal to an intersectional coalition of students, including those of different races, income status, genders, sexualities, and nationalities,

Be it hereby resolved, the Student Senate calls for the University of Tennessee to offer new classes, resources and organization dedicated to gender and sexuality.


ACTION TAKEN BY THE STUDENT SENATE
Seconded by

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VOTE for ________ against ____________ abstentions ___________

ACTION TAKEN BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Signature _______________________________________________________

Date __________________________________________________________

ACTION TAKEN BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Signature _______________________________________________________

Date __________________________________________________________