

Resolution SS1718-03**April 19, 2017**

ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE STUDENT UNION
COLIN BRANKIN, PARLIAMENTARIAN

**A RESOLUTION BESTOWING EMERITUS STATUS ON
REBECCA ALEXANDRA BLAIS**

Whereas, Rebecca A. Blais has served faithfully and dutifully in the office of the University of Notre Dame Student Body Vice President during the 2016-2017 term, putting forth her utmost efforts to advance the interests of the University of Notre Dame Student Body;

Whereas, Rebecca's active chairmanship of the University of Notre Dame Student Senate promoted active participation and open discussion among not only the members of Senate but also amongst all members of the Student Body;

Whereas, Rebecca's lasting impact on and service to the University will be defined not only by the many important resolutions that have been passed during her chairmanship, but also by the legacy of her good character, professionalism, accountability, and commitment to the service of students and the mission of the University;

Whereas, Rebecca faithfully and dutifully served as a student voice on Faculty Senate, representing the undergraduate perspective to faculty Senators in addition to her work outside the Faculty Senate in fostering meaningful relationships with administrators;

Whereas, Rebecca utilized her role in Student Government through past positions such as Director of Internal Affairs as well as Student Body Vice-President to strengthen and expand the way students and members of the University view and discuss the Notre Dame community;

Whereas, Rebecca committed herself to ameliorating the issues of sexual assault on campus through her work on the Committee on Sexual Assault and Prevention, her discussion with administrators to release climate data, and her dedication to the safety of all at the University;

Whereas, Rebecca was fundamental in restructuring the Executive Cabinet to ensure its effectiveness in serving the Student Union; and

Whereas, Rebecca's role at the University extends far beyond that of Student Body Vice President; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that in recognition and appreciation of her dedication and contribution to the University of Notre Dame, the title of Student Body Vice President *emeritus* be bestowed upon Rebecca Alexandra Blais.