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**A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM AND EXPRESS THE STUDENT SENATE'S SUPPORT
FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF FORMER MAYOR PETE BUTTIGIEG TO THE
UNIVERSITY FACULTY**

Whereas, in recent days there has been significant national press coverage of Pete Buttigieg's appointment as a faculty member, some of this, for example an article in the *National Review*, has been in opposition to his hiring;

Whereas, there has been opposition to Pete Buttigieg's appointment to the faculty of the University of Notre Dame du Lac, from the faculty itself;

Whereas, an individual's sexuality and/or marital status is legally irrelevant in faculty appointments;

Whereas, several dissenting voices emanating from Notre Dame have nonetheless incorporated personal details into their opposition to Pete Buttigieg's appointment to the faculty, suggesting that it is rooted in homophobia and bigotry, qualities that the University fundamentally abhors and rejects;

Whereas, as a leading scholarly institution the University of Notre Dame du Lac has a responsibility to its students to present them with varied opinions, ideals and academic sources;

Whereas, Pete Buttigieg's distinguished credentials mean that his individual political opinions, whether supported or not by the community of Notre Dame, will be a vital addition to the University's academic discourse;

Whereas, Pete Buttigieg's record of public service makes him well suited to teach at the University of Notre Dame du Lac;

Whereas, from serving in the United States' armed forces to leading the local community of South Bend, Pete Buttigieg's passion for serving others makes him ideally placed to educate our students;

***Resolved*, the Student Senate of the University of Notre Dame du Lac expresses its full support for the University's appointment of former Mayor Pete Buttigieg to its faculty.**



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