

Resolution Concerning In-Hall Dances

WHEREAS, tradition and reputation are important aspects of the atmosphere at Notre Dame,

WHEREAS, ~~that~~ the preservation of the Notre Dame tradition and reputation are vital to the community of Notre Dame, not only to current students and faculty, but also the past and future members and should thus be preserved,

WHEREAS, in-hall dances are one of the many tangible, frequent, and recognizable sources of this tradition,

WHEREAS, in-hall dances such as the Alumni Wake, Pop Farley, the Fisher Regatta, The Keenan Revue, McGlenn Casino Night, the Zahm Decade Dance, the O'Neill Mardi Gras, the Keough Chariot Race and White Wedding, the Lewis Crush, Pasquerilla West Queen Week, Walsh Hall Fall Frolic, Breen-Phillips Beach Week, Pasquerilla East Pyromania and many other residence hall in-dances are vital to the traditions of the University.

WHEREAS, we welcome the concern, effort, and initiative of administrators to promote a responsible Notre Dame social atmosphere,

WHEREAS, ~~of~~ the policy change banning hard-alcohol from campus has potential to eliminate subsequent problematic behaviors, including those during in-hall dances,

WHEREAS, many students were unaware of the gravity and frequency of problems arising from in-hall dances and the concern of administrators regarding this,

WHEREAS, Notre Dame students also value the traditions and reputation of Notre Dame,

WHEREAS, students will actively seek to preserve these traditions by promoting responsible behavior among their peers, particularly because of their awareness of recently surfaced concerns,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in-hall dances be allowed to continue for a probationary period of one year, after which they will be assessed in light of the ban on hard alcohol and increased student awareness.

Submitted by the Residence Life Committee

