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AN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE SENATE BYLAWS

Whereas, Section III(1) and Section III(2) of the Bylaws of the Student Senate are currently incongruent and contradictory with regulations outlined in the Constitution, regarding membership within the Student Senate;

Whereas, any conflicting bylaws provision must be brought into immediate alignment with the Constitution, as per Article I Section 2(b) of the same;

Whereas, as per Article III, Sec. 2(a)(2) of the Constitution, three undergraduate Off-Campus Senators shall serve as voting members of the Senate;

Whereas, as per Article III Sec. 2(g)(3) and (2) of the Constitution, the Student Union Secretary and Student Union Parliamentarian shall serve as non-voting Members of the Senate;

Whereas, current Senate attendance policy applies to all voting members of Senate, a group including individuals who serve as Members of the Senate but who are not themselves Senators;

Whereas, a lack of distinction between Senators and Members of Senate has crept into one section of the bylaws, potentially serving as a source of confusion; therefore, be it

Ordered by the Student Senate of the University of Notre Dame du Lac,

That the Bylaws of the Student Senate are hereby amended as follows:

1. Section III(1) is amended to read as follows:

All elected residence hall Senators; three elected Off-Campus Senators; the Off-Campus President; the four (4) Class Council Presidents; and the Club Coordination Council President shall serve as voting members of the Senate, *ex officio*. Only voting members may make motions.

2. Section III(2) is amended to read as follows:

The Student Body President; Student Union Parliamentarian; Student Union Secretary; Chief of Staff; Executive Controller; Student Union Treasurer; Student Union Board Executive Director; at least one (1) Hall Presidents Council Co-Chair; Judicial Council President; Executive Cabinet Department Directors; Diversity Council Chairperson; and Director of Student Activities or a designated advisor shall serve as non-voting members of the Senate *ex officio* while retaining speaking privileges.

3. Section IV(4) is amended to read as follows:

Attendance at meetings of the full Senate is mandatory for Senate members. Permission for an absence must be obtained from the Chairperson. Voting members may have no

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more than six (6) absences during their term, and no more than three (3) of these absences may be unexcused. After four (4) unexcused absences or seven (7) total absences, the Secretary shall file an allegation against the Member of Senate in question in the Ethics Commission.

It is so ordered.



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