## Senate Order SO 2324-19

14 February 2024

## FOLLOWING INTERNAL REVIEW ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION

Libby Meister, *Lyons Hall Senator*Samuel Godinez, *Dillon Hall Senator*Hunter Brooke, *Student Union Parliamentarian*Koryn Isa, *Judicial Council President*Aleah Applin, *First-Year Class Council President* 

## AN ORDER TO AMEND ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION REGARDING GREENDOT TRAINING

Whereas, per Article I Section 3(b) and 3(b)(1) of *The Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body of the University of Notre Dame du Lac* (The Constitution), "All elected officials (including those within the Hall Presidents Council, Senate and Class Councils) as well as all Executive Officers enumerated in Article II [...] must have completed a violence prevention training course as recommended by the University's Gender Relations Center by January 1st of the next calendar year after the start of the individual's term or two months following the assumption of office, whichever is later.";

Whereas, per Article I, Section 3(b)(1)(A) of The Constitution, "If an individual is found to be not compliant, the Parliamentarian shall report the individual to the Student Union Ethics Commission.";

Whereas, per Article XV, Section 2(h)(1) of The Constitution, "First Year Class Council Representatives shall be elected by a majority vote of the first years in each residence hall by the fourth Friday of the academic year.";

*Whereas*, because First-Year Class Council members are elected into office significantly later than all other elected student leaders, they have considerably less time to receive GreenDot training;

Whereas, this tighter timeline specifically disadvantages members of the First-Year Class Council, and should be rectified to ensure equitable regulation;

Whereas, during the 2024 term, over a dozen members of the First Year Class Council were unable to receive GreeNDot training by the Constitutionally-mandated January 1st deadline, and were accordingly referred to the Student Union Ethics Commission;

Whereas, to resolve this unbalanced regulation and ensure members of the First Year Class Council are not disadvantaged or unable to comply with the Constitution, it seems reasonable to extend the deadline for GreenDot training for members of the First Year Class Council;

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Whereas, because First Year Class Council members assume office four academic weeks after the start of the fall semester, a commensurate extension of four academic weeks is reasonable and fair; therefore, be it

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

That the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body is hereby amended as follows:

I. Article I Section 1(b)(1) as written below is hereby amended to read as follows:

(1) These individuals must have completed a violence prevention training course as recommended by the University's Gender Relations Center by January 1st of the next calendar year after the start of the individual's term or two months following the assumption of office, whichever is later. For members of the First Year Class Council, this deadline shall be the end of the fourth academic week of the spring semester.

It is so ordered.

Daniel Jung
Student Body President