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4 *ASG Senate Resolution No. 17*

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9 **A Resolution to Support the Re-Opening of Professional Photo**
10 **Sessions by the Career Development Center**

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12 Whereas, The Career Development Center at The University of
13 Arkansas has long offered services that strive to improve the
14 professionalism and preparedness of students as they
15 transition into the workforce or seek a graduate education;
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18 Whereas, Headshots are a vital component of a student’s profile,
19 demonstrating professionalism while allowing potential
20 employers or admission committees to familiarize
21 themselves with the applicant; on many occasions, headshots
22 are a required constituent in a standard application process;
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25 Whereas, Many undergraduate students pursuing scholarships,
26 research experiences, internships, co-ops, among many other
27 opportunities lack a proper photographic representation of
28 themselves for professional use, and require a university
29 resource such as the photo sessions normally offered by the
30 Career Development Center; and

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32 Whereas, Due to a surge of COVID-19 cases during the Summer and
33 beginnings of Fall of 2020, all photo-sessions have been canceled
34 and no appointments can be made until further notice, completely
35 discarding a resource that is of utter importance and is necessary
36 for several students, especially those who do not have the means to
37 hire a personal photographer for a service of this type; and

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39 Whereas, In recent studies by the Pat Walker Health Center, it has
40 been indicated that there had been a significant decline of
41 cases, causing a flattening of the campus curve beginning the
42 week of September 21st, 2020, and continuing to decline
43 until our current total number of average cases, 23, as

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opposed to 764 average active cases during the week of August 31st¹; then

Be it therefore resolved: The Associated Student Government Senate supports the re-opening of professional photo sessions through the Career Development Center in an effort to fulfill the student need for a necessary component of a professional profile; and

Be it further resolved: In re-openings, all session proceedings must run in accordance to CDC guidelines and University guidelines, such as maintaining a minimum distance of 6 feet, wearing face coverings (except for the student when being photographed), using proper sanitization techniques, and performing sessions outdoors; and

Be it finally resolved: A copy of this legislation be sent to Assistant Vice Chancellor of Career Services Dr. Angela Williams, ASG Student Body President Julia Nall, and Director of Academics Stephanie Verdaris

Amendments: _____

Vote Count: Aye _____ Nay _____ Abstentions _____

Legislation Status: Passed _____ Failed _____ Other _____

Caleb Parker, ASG Chair of the Senate Date

Julia Nall, ASG President Date