**Associated Student Government**

*University of Arkansas*

*Joint Resolution No. 5*

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**A Joint Resolution to Reaffirm Support for the Establishment of a Polling Location on Campus**

Whereas, There was a concerted effort by University of Arkansas Associated Student Government (ASG) to establish a voting center on campus ahead of the 2016 General Election by passing ASG Resolution No. 5 of the 2015-2016 academic year supporting the establishment of a polling location on campus culminating in a proposal submitted to the Washington County Election Commission; and

Whereas, This proposal submitted to the Washington County Election Commission was ultimately unsuccessful; and

Whereas, In ASG Resolution No. 4 of the 2016-2017 academic year, the University of Arkansas Associated Student Government Senate and Graduate Student Congress reaffirmed their commitment to install an Early Voting Center on campus; and

Whereas, It is imperative that the Associated Student Government honors its commitments made in previous years and continues with the momentum created by the University community concerning the voting center on campus; and

Whereas, The upcoming 2018 midterm election is a great opportunity to increase civic engagement amongst the university and Fayetteville communities; then

Be it therefore resolved: The Graduate Student Congress and Senate reaffirm their commitment to achieving this goal and overcoming logistical hurdles; and

Be it further resolved: The Graduate Student Congress and Senate fully support the establishment of polling location on campus; and

Be it further resolved: Associated Student Government representatives will work earnestly with the student body, Staff and Faculty Senate, University Officials, and the Washington County Election Commission to draft a proposal petitioning for a polling location on the University of Arkansas campus that addresses the weaknesses of the prior proposal.

Be it further resolved: A copy of this legislation be sent to the faculty and staff Senate for their further consideration and input.

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Amendments:

Vote Count: Aye 40 Nay 3 Abstentions

Legislation Status: Passed yes Failed­ Other

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Colman Betler, ASG Chair of the Senate Date

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Andrew Counce, ASG President Date