**Associated Student Government**

*University of Arkansas*

*ASG Senate Resolution No. 3*

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**A Resolution to Support the Dedication of the Bud Walton Arena Basketball Court to Nolan Richardson**

Whereas, The University of Arkansas is a prestigious and legendary institution that has historic roots that have stretched across the state since 1871; and

Whereas, As Arkansas’ flagship institution, the University of Arkansas Athletic Program is a source of great pride for all of its citizens and for all involved with the program; and

Whereas, Bud Walton Arena was built in 1993 at the height of Razorback Basketball national prominence; and

Whereas, Nolan Richardson took the Razorback Basketball Program to heights never seen before or since including a National Championship in 1994 and a return to the National Championship game the following year; and

Whereas, The 2018-19 basketball season will be the 25th anniversary of the opening of Bud Walton Arena and the National Title run of 1994; and

Whereas, The current coach of the Razorback Men’s Basketball team is Mike Anderson, who was an assistant under Richardson and commands a similar style of basketball (i.e. “40 Minutes of Hell; “Fastest 40 Minutes”); and

Whereas, Scotty Thurman, who made what is now referred to as “The Shot,” is also an assistant coach on the current Razorback Men’s Basketball team; and

Whereas, Baum Stadium and Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium both have their fields named after significant players and coaches from each program such as George Cole and Frank Broyles, respectively; and

Whereas, A similar copy of this resolution passed with an overwhelming majority of 41-1 on February 6, 2018;

Be it therefore resolved: The University of Arkansas Associated Student Government Senate recognizes the contribution of Coach Richardson to the basketball program and the sports history of the State of Arkansas; and

Be it further resolved: The University of Arkansas Associated Student Government Senate strongly encourages the Department of Athletics to consider naming the floor in Bud Walton Arena “Nolan Richardson Court” in honor of Coach Richardson’s record achievements.

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Amendments:

Vote Count: Aye 41 Nay 7 Abstentions

Legislation Status: Passed X Failed­ Other

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Colman Betler, ASG Chair of the Senate Date

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John Paul Gairhan, ASG President Date