

**A Resolution to Encourage the Expansion of Gender Inclusive Housing Options on the Columbus Campus**

Tony Buss (for himself, Mikayla Bodey, Sophie Chang, Nick Prayner, Vincent Liu, Noah Bidna, Yousef Yacoub, and Shamina Merchant) introduced the following resolution to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

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**Whereas** the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University, and

**Whereas** all Columbus campus students are required to live on campus for two years, and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University has many students who identify as transgender or outside the gender binary, and

**Whereas** current housing options for gender inclusivity only include apartments in the Gateway building which are Tier 1 Housing<sup>1</sup> and located off-campus, and

**Whereas** all students deserve an affordable and accommodating housing experience, and

**Whereas** The University of Illinois,<sup>2</sup> Indiana University,<sup>3</sup> Penn State University,<sup>4</sup> Kent State University,<sup>5</sup> Ohio University,<sup>6</sup> and The University of Michigan,<sup>7</sup> and many other peer institutions offer several inclusive housing options for students of all genders, and

**Whereas** several student organizations such as Trans\*Mission, PrideOSU, The LGBT Health Initiative, SHADES, and FemUNITY support the increase in Gender Inclusive Housing options;

**Therefore Let it Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government at The Ohio State University recommends that University Housing commits to accommodating all students' needs to ensure a safe, inclusive, and comfortable housing experience, and

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<sup>1</sup><http://housing.osu.edu/living-on-campus/graduate-professional-and-non-traditional-housing/>

<sup>2</sup><http://www.housing.illinois.edu/living-options/special-options/gender-inclusive>

<sup>3</sup><http://www.rps.indiana.edu/spectrumtc.cfm>

<sup>4</sup><http://housing.psu.edu/gender-neutral-housing>

<sup>5</sup><https://www.kent.edu/housing/gender-inclusive-housing>

<sup>6</sup>[https://www.ohio.edu/housing/gnh\\_faq.cfm](https://www.ohio.edu/housing/gnh_faq.cfm)

<sup>7</sup><http://www.housing.umich.edu/gender-inclusive>

**Let it Further Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government recommends that University Housing create Gender Inclusive Housing options on all areas of campus (i.e. West

51 Campus, North Campus, and South Campus), and

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53 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government at The Ohio State  
54 University recommends that University Housing offers Gender Inclusive Housing options at all  
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Floor Vote: Passed.

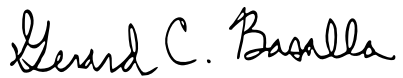
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Gerard Basalla

President

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Date Adopted: 2/8/17

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Danielle Di Scala

Vice President

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