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**A Resolution to Support the Increase of the Maximum Credit Hours Undergraduate Students can Enroll In Without Additional Fees**

Zach Clark (for himself, Kimmy Sullivan, Michael Frank, Maria Vargo, Ryan Moore, and Mario Belfiglio) 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** many high-achieving undergraduate students at The Ohio State University choose to pursue double majors, dual degrees, or major-minor combinations, and

**Whereas** choosing to pursue double majors, dual degrees, or major-minor combinations increases the number of credit hours required for graduation, and

**Whereas** the current undergraduate tuition rate allows undergraduate students to take up to 18 credit hours each semester without incurring any additional fees, and

**Whereas** Purdue University,<sup>1</sup> Penn State University,<sup>2</sup> The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign,<sup>3</sup> Rutgers University,<sup>4</sup> and the University of Southern California<sup>5</sup> have instituted policies that allow undergraduate students to petition to take over 18 credit hours per semester without having to pay any additional fees;

**Therefore Let it Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government at The Ohio State University supports the adoption of policies and procedures that allow high-achieving undergraduate students to take up to 21 credit hours each semester without having to incur any additional fees, and

**Let it Further Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government recommends that the administration examine a wide range of requirements and research similar policies of peer institutions for best practices.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.purdue.edu/studentregulations/regulations\\_procedures/registration.htm](http://www.purdue.edu/studentregulations/regulations_procedures/registration.htm)

<sup>2</sup> <https://handbook.psu.edu/content/credit-and-credit-load>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/courses/loadcredit/>

<sup>4</sup> <http://nblogistrar.rutgers.edu/undergrad/enrol-nb.htm#limits>

<sup>5</sup> <https://ahf.usc.edu/awards/achievement/>

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Floor Vote: Passed with Unanimous Consent

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Vice President

Date Adopted: 9/14/16

Date Terminated: \_\_\_\_\_