

**A Resolution to Support the Creation of a Makerspace at The Ohio State University's
Columbus Campus**

Wesley Kenyon (for himself, Sukhjit Singh, and Joe Warnimont) 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 a Makerspace is a workspace with a variety of tools, materials, and resources available in which a community of people gather to design, prototype, create, experiment, socialize, and collaborate on an endless array of projects,¹ and

Whereas the Ohio State University Columbus Campus lacks a unified open location on campus where students can design, build, and collaborate on their own projects, and

Whereas many resources such as general machining tools, a building workspace, electronic tools, computers with built software, 3D printers, and CNC mills, are all not located in one central space that is open for students to use, and

Whereas other Big Ten Colleges and Universities including Purdue University,² University of Illinois,³ University of Wisconsin - Madison^{4,5} and other Universities including the University of Southern California,⁶ and University of California – Berkeley,⁷ and the University of Texas-Austin⁸ have all created spaces or partnered with local programs to help foster innovation and startups;

Therefore Let it Be Resolved that the Undergraduate Student Government supports the creation of a unified Makerspace at The Ohio State University’s Columbus Campus.

¹ <https://publish.illinois.edu/techreport/the-maker-movement-at-illinois/>

² <https://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2015/Q3/student-co-working-space-launches-13-startups-in-two-years-.html>

³ <http://cucfablab.org/#about>

⁴ <https://wiki.physics.wisc.edu/garage/About%20Garage%20Physics>

⁵ <http://news.wisc.edu/makerspace-is-part-clubhouse-part-business-incubator-and-all-workshop/>

⁶ <http://www.edtechmagazine.com/higher/article/2015/02/making-makerspaces-work-campus>

⁷ <https://supernode.berkeley.edu/>

⁸ <http://makerspace.engr.utexas.edu/>

Floor Vote: PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT

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Abby Grossman
President



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Vice President

Date Adopted: March 30, 2016

Date Terminated: _____