Resolution #17-01 Request to Better Inform Students of Housing Facilities

Date: November 27, 2017

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Sponsored by: Chief of Staff Slaton

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of Valdosta State University (VSU) here assembled, that:

WHEREAS, students who choose to reside in a residence hall at VSU are required to enter into a housing contract with the university

WHEREAS, the current housing contract for the 2017-2018 school year ensures that resident students will be granted nonexclusive access to housing facilities, and does not set forth a protocol for reserving special access to multipurpose rooms or kitchen spaces

WHEREAS, clear communication is essential to a peaceful, conflict-free living environment

WHEREAS, students currently residing in Georgia Residence Hall were never directly informed about the possibility of losing access to the designated kitchen area and multipurpose room located on the sixth floor of Georgia Residence Hall

WHEREAS, students suspect that the installation of a card-access lock to the multipurpose room in the sixth floor hallway of Georgia Residence Hall may be followed with an additional lock in the stairwell, completely blocking access to the multipurpose room and kitchen area

WHEREAS, access to the designated kitchen area located on the first floor of Georgia Residence Hall is not equivalent to access to the sixth-floor kitchen area because of the differences in the provided amenities

WHEREAS, the sudden, unexplained loss of access to housing facilities may impact a student's decision regarding future housing and dining options

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Valdosta State University Student Government Association (SGA) requests that the VSU department of Housing and Residence Life formally assess the current accessibility of all housing facilities to students residing in a VSU residence hall

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VSU Student Government Association advises the VSU department of Housing and Residence Life to publicly advertise opportunities to gain exclusive access to housing facilities; it is the view of SGA that such advertisement promotes student awareness and facilitates better decision making in regards to housing and dining

FINALLY, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, upon passage of this resolution, this document will be sent to the current Director of Housing and Residence Life on behalf of the entire Valdosta State University Student Government Association and, by extension, the student body which it represents.

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