

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY
THE HUNDRED AND THIRD STUDENT SENATE
FALL TERM TWO-THOUSAND SIXTEEN**

RESOLUTION NO. S.Res-103-12

AUTHORED BY Senator Jones-Darling

SUPPORTED BY Senator Johnson, Senator Westfall

Senator Lucas, Senator Walters, Senator Garcia, Senator Wurster, Senator Caloia, and Senator Randall.

A RESOLUTION TO: EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR STUDENT PROTESTS

THE STUDENT BODY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ENACTS:

WHEREAS, On September 20, 2016 the letters "KKK" were written in Red, White and Blue Spray Paint upon King Hall along with the words "leave ni**rs" in black spray paint,

WHEREAS, Following the September 20th, 2016 incident students acted in response by exercising their right to freedom of assembly and freedom of speech by marching to the University House,

WHEREAS, on September 24th, 2016 students took to the field of Reynerson Stadium in a peaceful protest to declare that students of color are not leaving our university,

WHEREAS, On October 31, 2016 the words "Leave Ni**rs" was spray painted upon the wall at Ford Hall,

WHEREAS, On the evening of November 1, 2016 over 150 students began a peaceful sit-in style protest of the ground floor of the Student Center,

WHEREAS, At approximately 1:45am on the morning of November 2, 2016 the EMU Department of Public Safety assisted by Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Calvin Phillips issued a declaration to vacate,

NOTING, The peaceful protestors refused to leave the student center following a directive to vacate and are facing student conduct consequences,

NOTING, it is the responsibility of Student Government to represent the interest of our student body which may conflict with the procedural actions of the University Administration,

BE IT RESOLVED, That Student Government stands by the rights of all students to peacefully protest and praises the students involved in the most recent protest at the Student Center for their calm and peace filled actions;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That Student Government calls upon Associate Director of Student Conduct Michael Smith to dismiss all student conduct actions resulting from the peaceful sit-in action.

INTRODUCED IN COMMITTEE: 11/8/16.

COMMITTEE VOTE: PASS

AYES 7

NAYS 0

INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE: 11/15/16

SENATE VOTE: PASS

AYES 19

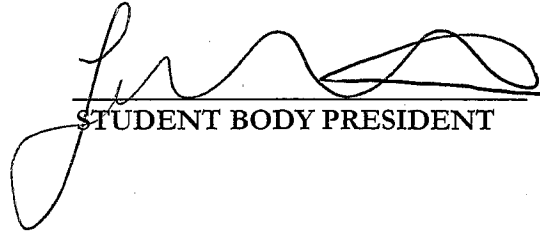
NAYS 2

ABSTAIN 1



CLERK OF THE SENATE

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STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT