

COLLEGE of CHARLESTON

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

A Resolution SR-002

Presented by Senator Elliott Wright
of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association
On this Sixteenth Day of February, 2010

- Purpose:** To demonstrate student support for the inclusion of a student representative on the College of Charleston Board of Trustees.
- Whereas:** The College of Charleston Board of Trustees consists of seventeen members, sixteen of whom hold voting rights.
- Whereas:** Two members represent each of the six congressional districts in South Carolina and are elected by the General Assembly for terms of four years each.
- Whereas:** Three at-large members are elected by the General Assembly for terms of four years each.
- Whereas:** One at-large member is appointed by the Governor of South Carolina.
- Whereas:** The Governor, or his designee, serves as an ex-officio member.
- Whereas:** Many colleges and universities include student representatives on their boards of trustees.
- Whereas:** This ensures the permanent, direct expression of the beliefs of the student body to the school administrations.
- Whereas:** Cornell University permits the election, by the student body, of two student representatives to its Board of Trustees.

1 **Whereas:** The University of Illinois permits the election, by the student bodies of
2 its three campuses, of three student representatives to its Board of
3 Trustees.

4 **Whereas:** The College of William and Mary permits the election, by the student
5 body, of two student representatives to its Board of Visitors.

6 **Whereas:** Washington University of St. Louis permits the election, by the
7 graduate student body, of two student representatives to its Board of
8 Trustees.

9 **Whereas:** James Madison University permits the election, by the student body, of
10 one student representative to its Board of Trustees.

11 **Whereas:** It is essential that the student body has adequate representation to the
12 College's administration.

13 **Whereas:** South Carolina House Bill 4244 is currently under review by the State
14 Legislature and seeks to create an additional position on the College of
15 Charleston Board of Trustees, with full rights, to be filled at the
16 discretion of the College of Charleston Alumni Association Board of
17 Directors.

18 **Whereas:** This bill can still be amended to include the creation of a position on
19 the College of Charleston Board of Trustees for student representation.

20 **Therefore:** BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT
21 ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE
22 FOLLOWING:
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24 **Section I:** The student body of the College of Charleston supports the inclusion of
25 a student representative position on the Board of Trustees.
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27 **Section II:** THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY
28 THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
29 AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.
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35 President John M. Capelle