To: Purdue University Senate  
From: University Resources Policy Committee  
Subject: Tobacco Cessation Programs  
Disposition: University Senate for Discussion & Approval

A Resolution Promoting Tobacco Cessation Programs

Whereas, tobacco consumption is the leading cause of preventable death,

Whereas, Purdue University wishes to promote the health of its students, faculty and staff,

Whereas, the administration of Purdue University has considered the adoption of a tobacco-free campus policy,

Whereas, the University Resources Policy Committee of the Purdue University Senate has heard presentations, deliberated, discussed and voted on the issue, yielding a mixed response,

Whereas, multiple other groups on campus have also expressed mixed support for such a policy so that the final form of the implementation is uncertain,

Whereas, the exposure of the nonsmoking community to harmful second-hand smoke is determined by the number and location of the allowed smoking areas and the number of smokers using them,

Whereas, education in tobacco use and programs for cessation are proven effective mechanisms for reducing the negative health consequences of tobacco use,

Be it resolved that, regardless of the status of smoking and tobacco usage on campus, the Purdue University Senate declares its strong
support for maintaining and expanding tobacco education and cessation programs for students, faculty and staff. Particular attention in developing these programs should be paid to groups underserved in this area, which we identify as including International Students and Graduate Students.

Be it further resolved that the mechanism of offering such programs and mechanisms for funding should be decided in collaboration between members of the Purdue administration, the leadership of the University Senate, and the leadership of Purdue Student Government and Purdue Graduate Student Government, and the leadership of the staff organizations (APSAC and CSSAC).

Passed, University Resources Policy Committee, February 13, 2017

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Opposed:
None

Amended, University Resources Policy Committee, February 27, 2017