TO: The University Senate
FROM: Senate Equity & Diversity Committee
SUBJECT: Public Statement in Support of Diversity and Equity
DISPOSITION: University Senate Vote

Whereas, current events occurring across universities in the country—including the student rally held at Purdue University on November 13th of this year—

And whereas, one of the primary functions of the University Senate is to provide leadership on behalf of the university community,

Be it resolved that the University Senate release the following public statement in support of diversity and equity practices at Purdue University:

Given the recent events at Purdue University, the University of Missouri, and Yale University, this is a time to affirm that we must all work together against any act of discrimination or institutionalized oppressive practices, which could obstruct our growth as a university community. The Purdue University Senate wishes to reaffirm our commitment to embracing and celebrating diversity in all of its forms, and we will continue to work actively with the University Administration and campus organizations to ensure that all individuals feel welcome, valued, safe and respected in our university community.