TO: University Senate
FROM: Russell Jones, Chair, Student Affairs Committee
SUBJECT: Resolution in support of Student-led Honor Pledge
DISPOSITION: University Senate for Discussion

WHEREAS, The topics of academic integrity and academic dishonesty have been identified as areas of concern by both faculty and students at Purdue, as indicated in the Spring 2015 Academic Integrity Survey conducted by the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, According to the student survey administered by the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, over 85% of students surveyed “agree or strongly agree” that Academic Integrity is important to quality of education; and

WHEREAS, A diverse group of students passionate about preserving and moving forward the culture of academic integrity at Purdue have developed a student-led honor pledge stating, “As a boilermaker on track, I pledge to be honest and true in all that I do. Accountable together - we are Purdue,” to reinforce an everyday culture of academic integrity at Purdue; and

WHEREAS, Honor pledges exist at other Universities such as Texas A&M University, University of Florida, University of Virginia, Princeton, etc.; and

WHEREAS, Implementation of the proposed student-led honor pledge throughout University life promises to reinforce the importance of academic integrity in daily life at Purdue; and

WHEREAS, The end goal of the implementation of the student-led honor pledge is to reinforce and enhance a culture of academic integrity at Purdue starting even from the time students are admitted to Purdue through communications and programming and to have both faculty and students know and utilize the honor pledge; and

WHEREAS, the Purdue Student Government officially support the implementation in student life of the aforementioned student-led honor pledge, as outlined by Purdue Board of Trustees Student Trustee Cameron Mann; and

WHEREAS, the Purdue Student Government delivered this resolution to Purdue Graduate Student Government for consideration as a joint resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Purdue Student Government delivered this resolution to the University Student Affairs Committee for consideration;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Purdue University Senate fully supports the implementation of this Student-led Honor Pledge in student life at Purdue.

Respectfully Submitted,
Russell Jones, Chair
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