## RESOLUTION ON PROTECTING STUDENT CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTATION AT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**WHEREAS**, the rich history of student self-governance at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been core to the function of our university since the establishment of the Dialectic Society and the Philanthropic Society in 1795 and must be cherished and protected; and

**WHEREAS**, past Boards of Trustees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have provided speaking time to the opposite constituency president (historically the GPSG President due to the Student Body President being an Undergraduate student); and

**WHEREAS**, the Graduate and Professional Student Federation now known as the Graduate and Professional Student Government was formed in 1971 to ensure adequate representation for the Graduate and Professional student constituency in the student self-governance process at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Student Body President must currently provide at least one-third (1/3) of their remarks at the Board of Trustees on issues that affect the opposite student government constituency to their own and to approve those remarks with the Joint Governance Council; and

WHEREAS, the codifying of speaking time for the opposite constituency president would maintain the responsibilities of the Student Body President to speak on behalf of both constituencies while creating an additional safeguard to ensure both constituencies have a voice each year no matter the state of relations between the Undergraduate Student Government and the Graduate and Professional Student Government;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill hereby resolves the following:

A maximum of three minutes of speaking time will be allotted at the conclusion of remarks from the Student Body President to the opposite constituency to share remarks about issues pertinent to their constituents at each regular meeting of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Board of Trustees.