IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduate & Professional Student Senate

SENATE RESOLUTION
SENATE MEETING February 22, 2010

TITLE: Supporting Graduate Assistantships

WHEREAS: Current budget deficits have forced the University, and its various departments and colleges, to look into certain restructuring and cost-cutting measures, and

WHEREAS: Several colleges within the University are considering the reduction and/or elimination of assistantships, and

WHEREAS: Those assistantships are a necessary part of graduate education for many graduate students and key for the retention of current and recruitment of new graduate students, and

WHEREAS: Those assistantships, which enhance Iowa State University’s impact on the world, produce quality dissertations and strong CVs, and in turn, desirable job placements, be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the Graduate and Professional Student Senate does not support the reduction or elimination of assistantships and encourage the various departments and colleges to explore other money-saving measures, and be it further

RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent to University President Gregory Geoffroy, Executive Vice President and Provost Elizabeth Hoffman, Vice-President of Student Affairs Thomas Hill, Vice-President for Business and Finance Warren Madden, Dean of the Graduate College David Holger, and Zach Thompson, editor of the Iowa State Daily.

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