SENATE BILL S15-09
SENATE MEETING March 30th, 2015

TITLE: Graduate and Professional Student Senator Excellence Award, Eligibility and Review Criteria

WHEREAS: The Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) represents a voluntary time commitment, and

WHEREAS: Excellent service to the GPSS benefits the experience of Graduate and Professional students, and

WHEREAS: Each year, some Senators exhibit outstanding service and activism, be it therefore

ENACTED: That the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) institutes the “Graduate and Professional Student Senator Excellence Award” to recognize the contribution of GPSS Senators who excel in their service and dedication to the graduate and professional student body, be it further

ENACTED: That the attached document provides purpose, guidelines, and review criteria for “Graduate and Professional Student Senator Excellence Award”

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Graduate and Professional Student Senator Excellence Award

Purpose: To recognize Graduate and Professional Student Senators who have exhibited outstanding dedication, work ethic, service, activism, and citizenship to the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) for the benefit of the Graduate and Professional Student Community.

Eligibility: To be eligible for nomination, Senators must meet the following criteria:
1) Be a current GPSS Senator in good academic and GPSS standing,
2) Demonstrate excellence in Senate service in the form of committee membership, legislation activism, event organization, and / or constituent representation.

Nomination: Students cannot self-nominate. Nominations may be submitted by fellow Senators, GPSS Executive Council Members, and constituents. Previous winners are not eligible. Nomination should include the following:
1) A completed nomination form.
2) A narrative statement that clearly identifies and provides supporting evidence for outstanding qualities of the nominee relevant to the purpose of the award.

As nominations are received, nominees will be contacted by the GPSS PAG Chair and asked for a summary of their activities relevant to the award.

Deadline: Nominations must be submitted by e-mail to the GPSS PAG Chair by March 1st.

Selection Process: The Awards Review Committee, chaired by the GPSS PAG Chair, will review final applications and will select the recipients. Winners will be notified by the end of March and recognized at the March Senate Meeting.

Award: The award recipients will receive a certificate of Senate Excellence signed by the GPSS President and Vice President.

Number of Yearly Awards: No more than 5 awards will be given each year.
Nomination Form
Graduate and Professional Student Senator Excellence Award

Submit nomination via e-mail attachment to GPSPAG@iastate.edu.
Subject line: Senator Excellence Award

Nominee’s Information:
Senator Name:
Senator Email:
Nominator’s Information:
Name:
Nominator’s Relationship to Student:
☐ GPSS Executive Council Member
☐ Graduate and Professional Student Senator
☐ Constituent

Brief statement (please type 500 words or less):
Describe the nominee, including his or her GPSS activities and why he or she deserves recognition as achieving Senator Excellence.