

**The Graduate Student Assembly  
The University of Texas at Austin**

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**Resolution:** G.R. 19 (F) 4 ↓ Nomination of Hadiza Mohammed as Diversity and Engagement Liaising Officer

**WHEREAS** (1): The Bylaws of the Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) state that the President shall have the authority to nominate ad-hoc officers, with the advice and consent of the Assembly (Art V. §1.1.9); and,

**WHEREAS** (2): The GSA is charged with representing the graduate student body at the University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin) to uphold equity and inclusion; and,

**WHEREAS** (3): Hadiza Mohammend, current Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA) Vice President, is dedicated to collaborating with GSA to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in the lives of UT graduate students; and,

**WHEREAS** (4): The BGSA was founded to develop a sense of community among Black graduate students on The University of Texas campus by addressing the problems and needs which confront the group either individually or as a whole; and,

**WHEREAS** (5): The Diversity and Engagement Liaising Officer will be charged with bridging the communities of the GSA, BGSA, and other graduate student organizations, especially those organizations that represent students from historically marginalized backgrounds in order to increase the diversity of the GSA to better reflect the UT Austin graduate student population, as well as to engage the broader graduate student community in leadership and service roles; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** (1): Hadiza Mohammed be nominated to an ad-hoc officer position titled: “Diversity and Engagement Liaising Officer”; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** (2): Upon the passage of this legislation by the Graduate Student Assembly, that Hadiza Mohammed retain this officer position for the 2019-2020 Academic Year; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** (3): The 2019-2020 GSA requests that this position be renewed by future GSAs each academic year hereafter; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** (4): This legislation be filed with the Office of the Dean of Students and the Black Graduate Student Association.

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Signature of the GSA President (Christina Baze)  
PASSED October 23, 2019