

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

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**Resolution:** G.R. 16 (F) 4 \_ In Support of Incorporating Gender Inclusive Bathrooms in All Pre-Existing Buildings

**WHEREAS,** The Graduate Student Assembly serves as the official voice of graduate students at the University of Texas at Austin; and,

**WHEREAS,** The University of Texas at Austin is committed to providing a learning environment that is safe for anyone regardless of gender identity or gender expression; and,

**WHEREAS,** Student-led efforts by the Graduate Student Assembly have been made to increase all-gender bathroom options in the past; and,

**WHEREAS,** The University of Texas at Austin has 32 existing gender-neutral bathrooms, and university policy requires any new building being constructed on campus to make a gender-neutral bathroom available for every five floors<sup>1</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** Gender-neutral bathrooms have been stalled due to lack of funding, according to Ixchel Rosal, former director at the Gender and Sexuality Center<sup>2</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** More than 150 universities across the country, including but not limited to the entire University of California system, Harvard University, and the University of Washington, have also made efforts to increase gender-inclusive bathrooms on campus<sup>3</sup>, and

**BE IT RESOLVED,** The University of Texas at Austin takes action to increase gender-inclusive bathroom options in all pre-existing building on campus,

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<sup>1</sup> University of Texas at Austin. "Gender Inclusive Restrooms." *Gender and Sexuality Center*. Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, 2016. Web.

<sup>2</sup> Bawab, Nashwa. "Gender-neutral Bathrooms Stalled Due to Lack of Funding - The Daily Texan." *DailyTexanOnline.com*. The Daily Texan, 10 Sept. 2015. Web. Sept. 2016.

<sup>3</sup> Banchiri, Bamzi. "Yale OKs Gender-neutral Bathrooms, Joining 150+ College Trend." *The Christian Science Monitor*. The Christian Science Monitor, 21 May 2016. Web. Sept. 2016.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Office of the President and The Daily Texan.