

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

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Resolution: G.R. 17 (F) 8 – Resolution to Repeal the Prior Service Requirement for Graduate Student Assembly President within the Constitution

WHEREAS (1): The Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) is governed by a Constitution and Bylaws which detail the required procedures of elections, and,

WHEREAS (2): Current eligibility requirements for consideration as GSA president involve prior experience as a GSA Representative, Committee member, or Executive Board member in the previous year; and,

WHEREAS (3): These requirements limit the diversity of the candidate pool for the office of the President without regard for prior student government service as an undergraduate or with a year's gap in experience; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT (1) The section regarding candidate eligibility (Article IV Section 1.1) within the GSA Constitution be repealed to remove the prior service eligibility requirement for office of the President of the GSA; and,

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT (2): A copy of the amended Constitution will be sent to the Office of the Dean of Graduate Students and the Vice President for Students Affairs for approval; and,

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT (3): The updated Constitution will be added to the GSA official website governing documents for student and public reference.

PASSED by the GSA General Assembly, December 6, 2017

Signature of the GSA President _____

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