

Office of the Student Body President

Legislative Veto 2021-002

Presidential Veto Senate Resolution 2021-072

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Butler University Student Government Association, and in order to work to promote a campus environment that prioritizes Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Rationale. The Student Government Association of Butler University has expressed a continued commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Because of this commitment and the events of the past few weeks, the Student Government Association needs to hold itself to a higher standard now more than ever. This past week, we have seen the frustration of students that feel unseen and unheard on Butler's campus. We are dedicated to making sure that we see and hear these students while working to mend the bonds that have been broken due to recent controversies. This resolution, much like Senate Resolution 2020-014, came with poor timing given all that is happening in our social and campus climate. It is our responsibility as the representative body of students here at Butler to represent all students and their voices on our campus. We as a Student Government must be conscious and aware of not only our climate on campus, but in our nation as well. The executive branch recognizes the circumstances of the last few weeks and their impact on students' trust in our SGA, and we acknowledge that there is a great deal to be improved upon within SGA. Part of this continuing improvement is to adhere to our values of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion within SGA and therefore we will take steps in the direction that most aligns with these values SGA holds.

Section 2. Constitutional Authority. The Legislative Branch will transmit legislation adopted by the Student Senate to the Executive Branch within five school days of the legislation's adoption. Within five school days of the President's receipt of the legislation, the President may enact the legislation by signing it or veto the legislation by informing the Speaker in writing. If the President vetoes the legislation, then the Student Senate may override the veto by a two-thirds vote. If the President has not signed or vetoed the legislation within five business days of receiving it, the legislation will take effect as if the President has signed it. *(SGA Constitution Article IV, Section 3)*

Section 3. Bylaw Authority. In accordance with Article IV, Section 9 of the SGA Constitution, the President retains the ability to veto legislation within five school days of their receipt of the legislation. If the President vetoes the legislation, they are to notify the Speaker in writing. The Speaker is then required to submit the veto remarks, in writing, to the entire Senate, as well as the commission/Senator who submitted the initial piece of legislation. The agenda for the subsequent voting session will also be updated to include an announcement that the legislation has been vetoed. Any Senator will then be able to motion to override the veto and with a two-thirds vote; the veto shall be overrode and the legislation granted authority. *(SGA Bylaws Article III, Section B)*

Maya Patel
Butler University Student Body President
April 13, 2021

12:00pm

SENATE RESOLUTION 2021 – 072
RESOLUTION TO SHOW APPRECIATION TO THE BUTLER UNIVERSITY POLICE
DEPARTMENT
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department is responsible for providing law enforcement services on Butler’s campus and in the Butler-Tarkington neighborhood, and

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department has responded to multiple calls for service involving violent crime in the area, including a shots fired call during Welcome Week and a person shot near the knoll a few weeks later and another shots fired call a few weeks after that, and

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department continues to provide students with a safe and secure academic, residential, and social environment both on and around campus, and

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department completes multiple training exercises that go above and beyond the standards set by Marion County and the State of Indiana, and was one of the first university police departments to be certified by the United States Department of Justice in their Use of Force Policy, prohibiting chokeholds and several other uses of force deemed unnecessary, and

Whereas, in addition to their already high standards of service, the Butler University Police Department completes the pieces of training prepared through the Human Resources Department and the training given by Dr. Gina Forrest, and

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department plans to increase networking with students once the COVID-19 pandemic subsides, and

Whereas, despite current public relations with police around the world and in particular the United States being poor, the Butler University Police Department continuously serves the community with equality and fairness, and

Whereas, the Butler University Police Department worked hard to keep campus safe and secure with the increased presence of strangers on campus during March Madness, let it be

Resolved, that the SGA Senate shows appreciation to the Butler University Police Department by allocating \$69.83 (See Appendix A) from the General Expenses Budget to deliver donuts from Long’s Bakery to patrol officers and administrative staff of the police department.

Primary Sponsor:

Aidan Kohnke, Residential College Senator

Secondary Sponsor:

Alex Stencel, Fairview Senator

Nicholas Durst, Residential College Senator

Appendix A: Based on 30 people on the Butler University Police Department personnel list. (<https://www.butler.edu/bupd/contact-bupd>)

	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Calculations</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Calculations</i>
<i>Donuts</i>	<i>8 Dozen (12 Donuts)</i>		<i>\$8.04</i>	
<i>Total Before Tax</i>			<i>\$64.32</i>	<i>8.04 x 8</i>
<i>Tax</i>			<i>\$5.79</i>	<i>0.09 x 64.32</i>
<i>Total After Tax</i>			<i>\$70.11</i>	<i>64.32 + 5.79</i>