RESOLUTION ON CHANGES TO THE
DIVISION OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

WHEREAS the University Administration is considering a reorganization of the Division of Biological Sciences, and

WHEREAS this change will greatly affect many members of the Cornell community, and

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly charter states that the GPSA is "concerned with those matters directly affecting graduate and professional students of Cornell University. Furthermore, this body may interact with and discuss issues of common interest with the Student, Employee and University Assemblies and the Faculty Senate." and,

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate has resolved that decisions regarding changes to the Division of Biological Sciences should not occur without the "same thorough and careful deliberation used in the creation of the Division", and

WHEREAS the Student Assembly has resolved that the President should defer his decision, and to use the time "to solicit, utilize, and respond to input" from the Cornell community, and

WHEREAS the Employee Assembly has passed a motion requesting that any decisions regarding the reorganization of the Division of Biological Sciences be postponed to allow further review by the constituencies involved,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly respectfully requests the administration to delay a decision concerning the Division of Biological Sciences, and consult with the constituent Assemblies regarding the changes in the Division of Biological Sciences.

Respectfully submitted,

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