A RESOLUTION OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY, REQUESTING THAT THE CULTURE AND CREATIVITY CATEGORY WITHIN THE FOUNDATION OF KNOWLEDGE COURSES BE DIVIDED INTO TWO SEPARATE SECTIONS.

WHEREAS: Foundation of Knowledge (FOK) courses exist to build skills such as communicating, understanding and appreciating how diversity within culture enriches life, improves perspectives, helps students think critically, solves problems, makes decisions, and works effectively with others, and

WHEREAS: Other FOK categories are divided into Communication, Science & Quantitative Inquiry, Self & Society, and Global Viewpoints, and

WHEREAS: Each of the other FOK categories are specific to one category while Culture and Creativity combine two very diverse subjects, and

WHEREAS: A lack of cultural understanding has been seen on Northern Kentucky University’s campus under several separate occasions, and

WHEREAS: In the current structure of FOK courses students are required to take 6 credit hours under the Culture and Creativity category, and

WHEREAS: Students can choose to take two courses within the same category. This can lead to them potentially opting out of taking a culture or creativity course by taking two courses in the same section, and

WHEREAS: The separation of Culture and Creativity within the FOK will align with the original purpose and the intent of the program.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, ON THIS SEVENTEENTH DAY OF APRIL 2017 THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY REQUESTS THAT THE CULTURE AND CREATIVITY CATEGORY WITHIN THE FOUNDATION OF KNOWLEDGE COURSES BE DIVIDED INTO TWO SEPARATE SECTIONS.

Signed: John William Weber, President

Attest: Janiah Miller, Senator

Cindy Mentrup, Academic Affairs Committee Chair