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*A resolution for consideration by the Graduate and Professional Student Council on Tuesday, September 23, 2014:*

**STUDENT HEALTH INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) is the recognized governing and representative body of all graduate and professional students at Southern Illinois University Carbondale;

WHEREAS, the graduate and professional students of SIUC have continuously expressed their support for an Affordable Care Act (ACA) compliant health insurance plan;

WHEREAS, graduate and professional students seek an improved health insurance plan offering expanded benefits that are required by the ACA;

WHEREAS, on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Undergraduate Student Government voted unanimously in favor of a resolution to bring the Student Health Insurance Plan into full compliance with the ACA;

WHEREAS, both graduate and professional, and undergraduate students are willing to pay more for an improved and fully ACA compliant health insurance plan, and acknowledge their option to opt-out of the plan if they have alternative health insurance;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that graduate and professional students call upon University Administration and the Board of Trustees to quickly, efficiently, and transparently conduct the process to obtain a fully ACA compliant healthcare plan with expanded benefits.

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