## **RESOLUTION 18-09**

A RESOLUTION ADDRESSING THE REQUIREMENTS, SELECTION, AND ROLE OF THE HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN

AUTHORED BY: Speaker Jacob Bell

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**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the VSU Student Government Association to offer recommendations to the VSU Office of Student Life regarding any changes significantly affecting the VSU Student Body,

WHEREAS, the annual selection of a Homecoming King and Queen is a special and significant Blazer tradition,

WHEREAS, there have been many calls in recent years to amend the eligibility requirements, selection process, and post-selection responsibilities of the Homecoming King and Queen,

WHEREAS, current and past Homecoming Kings and Queens have made significant efforts to serve the student body but have received little university support for their efforts,

**WHEREAS**, by virtue of the Homecoming King and Queens selection, these individuals are true assets to engaging and unifying the student body,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the 2017-2018 Valdosta State University Student Government Association recommends that the VSU Office of Student Life amend the Homecoming King and Queen eligibility requirements to include: a 2.50 GPA, enrolled as a full-time student for the fall semester, the endorsement of an active student organization in good-standing with the VSU Office of Student Life, a completed application, and clear disciplinary standing with the VSU Student Conduct Office.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the 2017-2018 Valdosta State University Student Government Association, recommends the VSU office of Student Life require Homecoming King and Queen candidates who have met the basic eligibility requirements be interviewed by a committee made up of three to five individuals selected by the Director of the Office of Student Life. The interview shall be conducted prior to any campus-wide vote, and the committee serves to ensure eligible nominees are truly individuals of significant campus involvement, outstanding school spirit, and character exemplifying the Blazer Creed.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the 2017-2018 Valdosta State University Student Government Association, recommends that the Office of Student Life set forth specified roles for the Homecoming King and Queen including: invitation to be present at open house; assistance in promotion and recognized attendance of large Campus Activities Board events; assistance and support for reasonable, appropriate programming led by the Homecoming King and Queen; recognized inclusion in appropriate Fire Pit initiatives; and any other events in which the inclusion of the Queen and King will be well-received and beneficial to the student body.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, upon its passage this resolution shall be sent to the current Valdosta State University Director of Student Life, Robin Vickery, for consideration.

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