



S2023-R10- Turner-Shillow Administration \$15 per Hour Minimum Wage

WHEREAS, “according to the livable wage calculator, the price of living for a single person with no children in Denton, Texas is listed at \$18.24.”

WHEREAS, the University has committed to improving the student worker experience on campus. The Student Government believes that student workers need to be respected and valued by earning a livable wage.

WHEREAS, since 2019, SGA Administrations have advocated for a \$15 per hour minimum wage increase. The Turner-Shillow senior leadership worked with University President Neal Smatresk and University Chief Financial Officer Clayton Gibson for a \$9 per hour minimum wage increase starting in July of 2023.

WHEREAS, on September 29th, 2022, University President Neal Smatresk made a commitment to increase the minimum wage for student employees stating that by “December 1, 2022, it would be raised from \$7.25 to \$8.50 and “next August 2023, the rate will increase to \$9 per hour”.

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the next SGA Leadership be encouraged to meet with university administration in the summer of 2023 to ensure the increase to \$9 per hour happens as stated by President Turner.

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the University President and University Chief Financial Officer review the \$9 per hour mark in the Spring of 2024 with the goal of increasing it to \$10 per hour by Fall 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Senator for the College of Education

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Student Government Association President

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Date

Presidential Action:

- Vetoed
- Approved

President of the Student Government Association

Date

Senior Vice President for Student Affairs

Date