Senate

of the

Student Government Association

of

The Johns Hopkins University

{ *S. Bill. 17-18, 00* }

An Act Supporting the Planet Runway Event

Introduced By: President Ash Panakam and considered this **7th** day of **November** in the Year **2017**

Sponsored By: Senator Fatima Bouftas of the **Junior** Class

Senator of Aspen Williams the **Freshman** Class

Referred to the senate by the **Committee on Health, Safety, and Sustainability** which recommends its **Passage** by a vote of **3** to **0** with **1** abstentions.

Referred to the senate by the **Committee on Finance** which recommends its **Passage** by a vote of **4** to **0**.

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of The Johns Hopkins University assembled that:

SECTION 1. TITLE.

This Act may be referred to as the "Planet Runway Bill."

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

(a) SGA — The term "SGA" shall refer to the Student Government Association of The Johns Hopkins University.
(b) JHU, Hopkins - The terms "JHU" and "Hopkins" shall refer to the Johns Hopkins University.
(c) SEA - the term "SEA" shall refer to the student organization Students for Environmental Action

SECTION 3. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

(a) FINDINGS
    a. Students for Environmental Action is an advocacy group that aims to raise environmental/sustainability awareness at Hopkins through means such as community outreach and engagement (both in Baltimore and on campus), student-led projects, and collaboration with other groups on campus.
    b. Planet Runway will be a first-time student-run fashion show hosted on the Homewood Campus on February 17, 2018.
    c. The purpose of Planet Runway is to educate people on the role of the clothing industry on environmental sustainability. The clothing industry is the second highest polluter of clean water, and the global cotton industry uses the most pesticides than any other crop in the world. This is an issue that is especially pertinent to broke college students who often buy into the quick and cheap allure of fast fashion (ourselves included). However, fast fashion comes at a huge social and environmental cost. Planet Runway will bring this issue to light and work in collaboration to start reducing our consumption of fast fashion by encouraging purchasing from high-quality, sustainable vendors or thrift stores.
    d. The fashion show showcase sustainable designs from brands that place environmentalism as a core value, local Baltimore-made brands, or student-styled outfits or created designs that incorporate some aspect of sustainability within them (e.g. repurposed materials, second-hand clothing, eco-friendly materials)
    e. The secondary part of the event is a clothing swap that all event attendees are invited to participate in. Attendees, in order to attend the fashion show, will need to bring a piece of secondhand clothing as their entry ticket. All the clothing is organized by volunteers and following the fashion show, event attendees can "shop" with no cost at all for the clothes that the attendees brought. Any extra clothes leftover after the clothing swap will be donated.
    f. The event is meant to bring together the entirety of the campus with widespread student group involvement and an accessible overarching purpose

of active engagement of sustainability through everyday practices and choices and celebrating creativity and inclusivity.

(b) PURPOSES

a. Costs for the entire event and related marketing expenses is estimated to be $2800. These costs include:
    i. To rent the necessary materials (runway, clothing racks, tables, chairs)
    ii. To provide food for all attendees and those volunteering at the event
    iii. To compensate local for material costs of donated submissions
        1. This is to increase accessibility of participating in submitting designs and keep the project financially feasible, especially for those students doing it as a personal project.
    iv. To provide a prize incentive to a winning student design
    v. To create physical marketing materials

SECTION 4. THE PLANET RUNWAY EVENT.

(a) The SGA shall approve the following purchasing budget costs for Planet Runway, adding up to total grant of $800.
    a. Reimbursement of materials costs for student designers' submissions to the fashion show - $250
    b. Cash prize for winning student design in the fashion show - $30
    c. Cost of renting and setting up a runway - $400
    d. Cost of renting tables through events scheduling - $96
    e. Cost of marketing materials - $24

(b) Marketing
    a. Planet Runway marketing materials in all formats (social media, print, etc.) will note SGA sponsorship of the event

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.

Should any provision of this Act, an amendment made by this Act, or the application of such provision or amendment to any person or circumstance be held to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act, the amendments made by this Act, and the application of such provision or amendment to any person or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Any money granted not used for any of the above purposes in supporting Planet Runway will be returned to the SGA Operations budget.

THE BILL HEREBY **PASSES** BY A VOTE OF **20** TO **0** WITH **1** ABSTENTIONS.

UPON PASSAGE, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE SENATE TO BE AFFIXED TO THIS BILL INDICATING THE SENATE'S ASSENT AND THUS OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED THE BILL'S ADOPTION AS LAW.

Signatures of Enactment:

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AJ Tsang
President of the Senate
Executive Vice President of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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Noh Mebrahtu
Executive President of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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Rushabh Doshi
Executive Secretary of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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Executive Treasurer of the Johns Hopkins SGA

Signatures of Ceremony:

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Ash Panakam
Junior Class President

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Fatima Bouftas
Junior Class Senator

Aspen Williams
Freshman Class Senator