

SENATE RESOLUTION
SR-S22-10

“A Resolution to condemn hateful statements made by members of GW’s community.”

SHORT TITLE: The No Place for Hate Act

SPONSOR: Sen. Sofia Packer (Univ-at-Large, Chair of the Undergraduate Education Policy Committee)

CO-SPONSORS:

ENDORSERS: Sen. Chris Pino (CCAS-U; Chair of Undergraduate Student Life)
Sen. Gabriel Young (CCAS-U, Vice-Chair of Undergraduate Education Policy),
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Sen. Nick Pradhan (SMHS-G)
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Sen. Kiley Mulligan (MISPH-G)
Sen. Katie Vinson (MISPH-U, Vice-chair of Physical Facilities and Urban Affairs)
Sen. Derek Lo (CCAS-U, Chair of Physical Facilities and Urban Affairs)
Sen. Cody Ingraham (LAW-G, Chair of Graduate Student Life)
Sen. Andrew Wise (LAW-G, Vice Chair of Graduate Student Life)

COMMITTEE: Full Senate

PURPOSE: To condemn hateful statements made by members of GW’s community.

WHEREAS On April 20, 2022, at 5:57 pm, GW Young America’s Foundation Tweeted from their official Twitter account “oh the pro-pedo libs are gonna LOVE this one” as a quote Tweet of the official Young America’s Foundation Twitter account;

WHEREAS On April 21, 2022, at 4:52 pm, GW Young America’s Foundation Tweeted “we aren’t the ones advocating for the grooming and sexualization of children...” in response to a Tweet calling them disgusting;

WHEREAS On April 22, 2022, at 10:21 am, GW Young America’s Foundation Tweeted “AGREE OR GET CANCELLED: @benshapiro explains how trans ‘rights’ are an attack on free speech.”;

WHEREAS On April 22, 2022, at 3:56 pm, GW Young America's Foundation Tweeted "The statement that pedophiles shouldn't be teaching in schools should not be controversial, it's common sense."; and

WHEREAS Claims that LGBTQ+ people are “groomers” and “pedophiles” have been used recently to justify violence and discriminatory laws against the community;^{1,2,3}

BE IT RESOLVED by the George Washington University Student Association Senate: condemns statements made by GW Young America's Foundation as harmful to the GW community;

BE IT RESOLVED that the George Washington University Student Association posts their condemnation on all Social Media Platforms;

BE IT RESOLVED that the George Washington University Student Association asks the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to conduct trainings with GW YAF to understand why their statements were wrong;

BE IT RESOLVED that the George Washington University Student Association Senate asks The George Washington University Office of Student Life to suspend GW YAF for breaking the student code of conduct; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the George Washington University Student Associate Senate asks the Office of the President to address YAF's statements and how the University seeks to improve safety for the LGBTQ+ Community.

COMMITTEE VOTE **YEA** **NAY** **ABSTAIN**

SENATE VOTE: 36 YEA 0 NAY 0 ABSTAIN

FAILED **PASSED** **PASSED AS AMENDED**

¹ The right's moral panic over "grooming" invokes age-old homophobia, Vox

² Gay couple, their children verbally assaulted by Amtrak passenger during ride to Bay Area

³ 'The most terrifying experience of my life' | Transgender woman describes recent hateful harassment she experienced on Metro

Kate Carpenter

4/25/2022

Kate Carpenter, Vice President

Date

ATTEST:

Melanie Campbell

4/25/2022

Melanie Campbell, Senate Secretary

Date

PRESIDENTIAL SUBMISSION:

Brandon W. Hill

4/26/2022

Brandon W. Hill, President

Date

APPROVE VETO