

RES03-2016/17

A Resolution

to

Repeal RES01-2016/17

in the fourteenth week of Student Government, 2016

Sponsor(s): Aditya Karkera (Director of Finance)

1. **Accepting** the constitutionality and coherence of RES01-2016/17 as defined by the sponsor(s) and as verified by the judiciary of AY2015/16, and holding it to stand as a valid and entirely applicable policy;
2. **Understanding** that the constitutionality and coherence of RES01-2016/17 does not bar it from possessing fundamental flaws of not merely a practical but moral nature, namely:
 - a. The setting of a precedent for future governments of a nature that can be exploited to serve interests not ordained by the constitution.
 - b. The setting of a precedent of the aforementioned nature for ancillary or identical entities, including but not limited to the Residential College Advisory Councils, Dining Hall Committees, and Student Advisory Committees.
 - c. The monetary valuation of government service - despite being objectively (but not morally) of a more significant nature than other forms of community service on campus - that ethically undermines the nature of the work being performed.
 - d. The opportunity cost and budgetary burden (presently standing at **S\$2,500**) caused by the execution of RES01-2016/17 which robs the Student Government of AY2016/17 of the resources to execute more impactful and important projects and proposals.

*This Council, by the powers afforded to it and by the will of the President, hereby **moves to pass this resolution as it stands**, and*

1. **Instructs** the Council in general and the Directorship of External Communications in particular, to disseminate information of the repeal and the rationale behind it (as laid out in this resolution) to all members of the student body, while encouraging feedback;
2. **Extends** its sincere gratitude to Wen Kin Lim '20 - of the Elm College Council - for representing the feedback of the student body and presenting it to the Director of Finance in a timely and constructive fashion;
3. **Places** a restriction on any resolution to repeal this one (and hence to reintroduce RES01-2016/17 or the policy represented by it) for a period of one semester, but provides the following exceptions to the restriction:
 - a. Judicial ruling to strike this resolution and nullify the repeal.
 - b. Withdrawal of this repeal by the sponsor before a Council vote.

IN FAVOUR: Aditya Karkera, Anandita Sabherwal, Avery Simmons, Brandon Lee Bing Xiang, Hebe Hilhorst, Izzah Haziqah Haris, Logan Ye, Michael Moyer, Nirali Desai, Saza Fadilla, Scott Chua, Sunwoo Nam

IN OPPOSITION: None

IN ABSTENTION: Shardul Sapkota, Glen Koh

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