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Resolution 30: Resolution on the Sustainable Future of Anabel's Grocery

Abstract: This resolution creates an Ad Hoc committee and establishes a public comment period regarding the future of Anabel's Grocery, ensuring its continued operation and role in addressing food insecurity at Cornell University.

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Whereas, food insecurity is a pressing issue at Cornell University, affecting students' ability to focus on their academics and overall well-being.

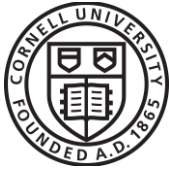
Whereas, to combat this issue on campus, the 2014-2015 Student Assembly passed [Resolution 65: Developing and Funding a Student-Run Grocery Store](#), which led to the creation of Anabel's Grocery using money from the Student Assembly's Students Helping Students Grant.

Whereas, Anabel's Grocery is a student-run nonprofit grocery store that provides fresh, nutritious, and affordable food to Cornell students, while also offering educational programming and community engagement opportunities.

Whereas, the recent severance of the Student and Campus Life Department's affiliation with the Center for Transformative Action (CTA) and related redirection of annual endowment income previously allocated to CTA has placed Anabel's Grocery in financial jeopardy, as CTA has historically provided essential administrative, financial, and legal support for the store.

Whereas, Anabel's Grocery requires new financial support, including funding for a part-time store manager, faculty support for the related course, maintenance of operations, and the subsidy fund for affordable food access.

Whereas, the Student Assembly has a responsibility to ensure that critical student services remain accessible, especially those that promote food security, student well-being, and community engagement.



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Be it therefore resolved, an Ad Hoc Committee on Anabel's Grocery be established, with members appointed by the President, to investigate solutions to the challenges faced by Anabel's.

Be it further resolved, this resolution be opened for public comment on the Office of the Assemblies website, at the earliest opportunity.

Be it further resolved, the below questions be posed to respondents as part of the public comment period:

(1) Have you, or a student you know, been impacted by the services provided by Anabel's Grocery?

(2) Should the Student Assembly explore avenues for alternative funding sources for Anabel's Grocery?

Be it finally resolved, the Assembly commits to advocating for student food security and ensuring that Anabel's Grocery remains a viable and accessible resource for all Cornell students.

Respectfully Submitted,

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