



**Resolution 6: Response to the December 18th, 2024
CCEA Final Expressive Activity Policy**

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Graduate and Professional
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2 Expressive Activity Policy Recommendations
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4 **Abstract:** This resolution formalizes the GPSA’s response to the CCEA’s final Expressive
5 Activity Policy recommendations as released to the Cornell community on December 18th, 2024.
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7 **Sponsored by:**
8 **Nicholas J. Brennan, Executive Vice President,**
9 **Mohamed Z. El-Walid,**
10 **Emma K. Scales,**
11 **Clarice Meffert, Voting Member,**
12 **Srinica Hampi, Student Advocacy Committee Chair.**
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14 **Reviewed by Student Advocacy Committee**
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16 **Whereas:** The Cornell Committee on Expressive Activity [CCEA] was charged by former
17 University President Martha Pollack with recommending changes to the University’s existing
18 policies governing expressive activity in 2023.

19 **Whereas:** On October 30th, 2024, the CCEA reported to the Cornell community with a draft
20 policy requesting feedback by December 9th, 2024 in order to finalize its recommendations in
21 line with the University’s policy review process.

22 **Whereas:** On December 2nd the GPSA voted to advance a thorough review of the draft policy to
23 President Kotlikoff and CCEA Chair Dean Barry.

24 **Whereas:** On December 18th, the CCEA released the final version of its Expressive Activity
25 Policy recommendations to the Cornell community.

26 **Whereas:** The final CCEA recommendations include changes to policy points relating to
27 masking, hate speech, and spontaneous protest.

28 **Whereas:** The CCEA published an accompanying memo invoking the legacies of Civil Rights
29 leaders including Henry David Thoreau, Mahatma Gandhi, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr..

30 **Whereas:** Rapid action is required to voice concerns before a final policy is adopted.



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31 **Be it therefore resolved:** The GPSA adopts the following Statement Regarding the Final
32 Expressive Activity Policy Recommendations.

33 **Be it therefore resolved** the President of the GPSA is directed to send the adopted statement to
34 the CCEA Chair Dean Barry immediately following the adjournment of the meeting to
35 accommodate an accelerated timeline.

36 **Be it finally resolved:** The Graduate and Professional Student assembly formally disapproves
37 the final Expressive Activity Policy recommendation released on December 18th, 2024.

38 Respectfully Submitted,

39 Mohamed Z El-Walid

40 Emma K. Scales

41 Clarice Meffert – Voting Member

42 Srinica Hampi – Student Advocacy Committee Chair

43 Nicholas J. Brennan – Executive Vice President