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Resolution 3: Establishing the Ad-Hoc Committee on Vacancies

- 3 Abstract: This resolution creates the Ad-Hoc Committee on Vacancies to interview and
- 4 recommend individuals to fill Student Assembly vacancies.
- 5 Sponsored by: President Zora deRham '27
- 6 *Type of Action:* Internal Policy
- 7 Originally Presented: 08/29/2024
- 8 *Current Status:* Adopted by the Assembly, 08/29/2024, Unanimous
- 9 Whereas, there currently exist five (5) vacancies in the voting membership of the Student10 Assembly, as follows:
- 11 Minority Representative (2)
- 12 Women's Representative (1)
- 13 LGBTQIA+ Representative (1)
- 14 CALS Representative (1)
- 15 Whereas, having a filled membership is necessary for the proper functioning of the Student
- 16 Assembly and for engaging with all undergraduate members of the Cornell community.
- 17 Whereas, Article IV, Section 8 of the Charter of the Student Assembly states:
- 18 A vacancy that exists in the office of any voting member of the Assembly or an
- 19 undergraduate representative to the University Assembly following first 30 days of the
- 20 term of the Assembly shall be filled by the Assembly. At the next regularly scheduled
- 21 meeting following the creation of the vacancy, the vacancy shall be filled by a roll-call
- 22 vote; the vacancy shall not be filled without a two-thirds affirmative vote of the seated
- 23 membership of the Assembly.
- Whereas, more than 30 days have elapsed since the beginning of this year's term of the StudentAssembly.
- 26 **Whereas,** the proposed committee shall only recommend individuals. This does not constrain the
- 27 Assembly's jurisdiction over appointing such members as it sees fit.



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- 28 Be it therefore resolved, an Ad-Hoc Committee on Vacancies be created to interview and
- 29 recommend individuals to fill the current vacancies.
- 30 **Be it further resolved,** the Committee shall be empowered to make such rules and regulations to
- 31 govern itself not inconsistent with the Standing Rules, Bylaws, and Charter of the Student
- 32 Assembly.
- 33 **Be it further resolved**, the Committee's Chair shall be the President of the Student Assembly.
- 34 **Be it finally resolved,** the Committee shall consist of the President and six (6) additional
- 35 Members of the Student Assembly to be appointed by the President.
- 36 Respectfully Submitted,
- 37 Zora deRham '27
- 38 President of the Student Assembly