

# Resolution 26: Promoting Engagement for the Fall '23 Elections

**Abstract:** This resolution approves an additional funds allocation to the Student Assembly Elections Committee for the purpose of purchasing prizes to be randomly given away to undergraduate students who vote in the Fall 2023 Student assembly elections.

**Sponsored by:** Rahul Verma '24, Patrick Kuehl '24

**Reviewed by:** Executive Committee, 10/2/23

**Type of Action:** Internal Policy

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**Whereas,** the Student Assembly elections have had lower levels of engagement in the past elections cycles, with 2,346 (15.6%) of the 15,024 eligible students voting in the Spring '23 elections.

**Whereas,** student engagement and voting in Student Assembly elections is essential to the proper representation of various student constituencies on campus and their interests.

**Whereas,** to increase civic engagement, the Elections Committee will be taking new initiatives to encourage voter participation.

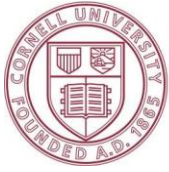
**Be it therefore resolved,** a total of \$750 from the reserve account be allotted to the Elections Committee to purchase four 40 ounce Hydroflasks, two Bose SoundLink Flex Bluetooth Speakers, and one Nintendo switch that will be distributed to individuals who complete all eligible ballots for the Fall '23 elections via raffle.

**Be it further resolved,** winners of the prizes will be randomly chosen by the Office of Assemblies to ensure fairness in this process.

**Be it further resolved,** each individual, regardless of ballots completed, will only be eligible for one entry.

**Be it further resolved,** each individual will only be eligible to receive one prize, if an individual's name is drawn a second time, there will be a redraw.

**Be it further resolved,** No member of the Student Assembly or those running for election will be eligible to receive a prize.



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30 **Be it finally resolved,** the announcement and distribution of prizes of this giveaway will be  
31 made the day after the announcement of the Fall '23 elections.

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33 **Respectfully Submitted,**

34 Rahul Verma '24

35 *Director of Elections, Student Assembly*

36 Patrick Kuehl '24

37 *President, Student Assembly*