

Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #33

Increasing Access to Gender Neutral Bathrooms on Campus

ABSTRACT: This resolution calls for increasing access to gender neutral bathrooms across campus.

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Whereas, transgender and gender non-conforming persons may face discomfort and discrimination when using gendered bathrooms;

Whereas, the university has made strides in increasing access to gender neutral bathrooms since SA resolution 21, "Availability of Accessible Gender-Neutral Bathrooms and Locker Rooms on Campus" was adopted during the 2011-12 school year;

Whereas, bathrooms in dorms on West Campus operate under the gender inclusive "E" system;

Whereas, Cornell Maps shows locations for all-gender bathrooms across campus;

Whereas, many buildings used heavily by undergraduates contain no gender neutral Bathrooms;

Whereas, Robert Purcell Community Center, Appel Commons, and the Townhouse Community Center, important community centers for freshman, contain no gender neutral bathrooms;

Whereas, students should not require a map to find a bathroom they can use;

Whereas, existing gendered bathrooms can be converted into gender neutral bathrooms promptly and cost-effectively;

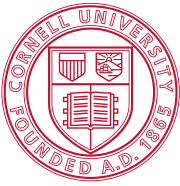
Be it therefore resolved, that Cornell University set the goal for itself that every building on campus will contain at least one gender neutral bathroom;

Be it further resolved, that in buildings where there are no gender neutral or single user restrooms, Cornell University will redesignate a gendered multi-stall bathroom to be gender neutral;

Be it further resolved, in future renovations Cornell University will incorporate designs for gender neutral restrooms;

Be it further resolved, that Willard Straight Hall enters a trial period in which all bathrooms on the fourth floor be designated all-gender;

Be it further resolved, that Bartels Hall, Duffield Hall, Statler Hotel, Robert Purcell Community Center, Appel Commons, Helen Newman Hall, Myron Taylor Hall, and Day Hall be considered high priority for inclusion of gender neutral bathrooms;



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44 **Be it further resolved**, that the Student Assembly supports the Residential Student Congress
45 resolution entitled: “Gender-Neutral Bathroom Expansion in Residence Halls and Community
46 Center;

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48 **Be it finally resolved**, that this resolution be forwarded to the Campus Planning Committee, Dean
49 Vijay Pendakur, and Vice President Lombardi;

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51 **Respectfully Submitted,**

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