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Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #9 Charter Revisions

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4	ABSTRACT: This resolution updates the Charter to remove outdated information and
5	inefficiencies.
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8	Sponsored by: Matt Indimine '18
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10	Whereas, aspects of the Charter are outdated and inefficient;
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12	Whereas, the Student Assembly Charter is a "living document" that must be updated in order for
13	the Student Assembly to better serve students;
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15	Be it therefore resolved, that the Student Assembly Charter be amended as follows, in red, to
16	correct an inconsistency in Article IV: Membership, Section 5 Absentees:
17	Any voting members who are absent for three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings or for six regularly scheduled
18 19	meetings cumulatively during their term will have their position vacated. At the discretion of the Executive
20	Committee, a member will not be counted as if they were absent for an interview for a job, graduate school, or scholarship; if they were attending a required academic event for which accommodations could not be made; if they
21	were representing the Student Assembly in an official capacity; if they were tending to a family emergency; if they are
22	observing a religious holiday; or if they were under the care of a physician. The
23	Executive Committee will review each circumstance individually and will determine a decision within 7 days of the
22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	request. Executive Committee may avert such a vacancy by a unanimous vote -two-thirds of all voting members of the
23 26	Executive Committee. The vote would be conducted by secret ballot. The Executive Committee should consider the reasoning for past, the likelihood of future absences, and the representative's supplemental actions to represent their
²⁰ 27	respective constituency in making their decision. The same action must be taken if the Executive Committee wishes to
28	avert a vacancy whenever the three cumulative absences mark is exceeded. The Director of Elections will serve as Chair for
	these meetings.
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32	Respectfully Submitted,
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