

Cornell University Employee Assembly

1	UA R5: In Recognition and Appreciation of Cornell
2	University Students
3 4 5	<i>Abstract:</i> This resolution is a formal recognition of the response of Cornell University students to the COVID-19 pandemic and to thank them for their efforts to protect Cornell's Ithaca campus community.
6 7	Sponsored by: Hei Hei Depew and the Executive Board of the University Assembly
8 9	On behalf of: The University Assembly, our constituents, and the greater Cornell community
10 11 12	Reviewed by: The University Assembly Executive Board, November 17, 2020
13 14 15	Whereas, the University Assembly acknowledges and supports Resolution 4 of the Employee Assembly, outlining the below information; and
15 16 17	Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic caused a global crisis; and
18 19 20	Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic created unprecedented public health challenges to Cornell University, and personal and professional challenges for all members of the Cornell community (Cornell faculty, staff, undergraduates, graduate and professional students); and
 21 22 23 24 25 	Whereas, the university's response to the COVID-19 pandemic required drastic changes to Campus operations, research and student learning, student activities and gatherings, and adherence to behavioral expectations by its members to reduce community health risks; and
 25 26 27 28 29 30 	Whereas, without students doing their part in exercising good judgement, it would have been more probable that the university would have had to move to fully remote learning, the surrounding community would have been exposed to greater health risks, and our financial situation would have been further compromised; and
31 32 33	Whereas, the University Assembly is impressed and grateful at how adaptable and quick to respond Cornell students have been in making massive and difficult changes for everyone's protection in such a short amount of time.
3435363720	Be it therefore resolved, the University Assembly, on behalf of all the Cornell community, expresses its deep gratitude for the service and dedication of Cornell students during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
38 39 40	Be it further resolved, the University Assembly recognizes and applauds the efforts and sacrifices made by the students to reduce the added burdens the Cornell community are facing at this time; and



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- 42 **Be it further resolved,** the University Assembly wishes to formally recognize and thank the students
- 43 for their commitment to the safety and welfare of the Cornell community; and

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45 **Be it finally resolved** that this resolution be submitted to the President of the University.