U.A. Resolution # 21

Updating the Judicial Administrator Reappointment Process

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Whereas, pursuant to Article Three, § 3.1 of its Charter and Title One, Article IV, of the Campus Code of Conduct the University Assembly (the Assembly) may propose changes to the Campus Code of Conduct (the Code) subject to the University President's approval; and

Whereas, pursuant to Article Two of its Charter, the object of the University Assembly, “…is to improve and sustain the involvement of the campus community in the governance of campus affairs affecting the broad campus community by establishing open, effective, and efficient channels of communication between and amongst the community and university administration”; and

Whereas, the Assembly views its custodianship of the Code as crucial to facilitating dialogue between the University Administration and wider Campus Community; and

Whereas, the Assembly strives to execute its responsibility to the Campus Code of Conduct and Community with the utmost professionalism and care; and

Whereas, the Assembly strives to be responsive to the needs and requests of the Campus Community and the needs and requests University Administration; and

Whereas, the Assembly passed U.A. Resolution # 4 (“Addressing Housekeeping Changes and Laying the Groundwork for a Holistic Evaluation of the Campus Code of Conduct”) in the Fall of 2017 to address numerous housekeeping changes in the Code including correcting an oversight in the Judicial Administrator reappointment process; and

Whereas, in her response to U.A. Resolution # 4, President Pollack identified the Judicial Administrator reappointment process as an area needing significant improvement beyond the scope of housekeeping changes; and

Whereas, in the Spring of 2018 Assembly drafted and passed U.A. Resolution # 11 (“Accepting President’s Proposal of a One-Year Term Extension for the Judicial Administrator”) to begin the
process of reexamining the Judicial Administrator reappointment process in more depth with a
completion deadline of the Assembly’s final meeting of the term; and

Whereas, during April 2018, the Assembly’s Executive Committee and Codes and Judicial
Committee had several productive discussions with members of the University Administration
about potential shortcomings of the current process and ways it might be improved; and

Whereas, the Assembly was briefed on the progress of discussions and the details of the changes
being discussed at all its meetings during April 2018; and

Whereas, the Codes and Judicial Committee was also briefed on the progress of discussions and
the details of the changes being discussed at all its meetings during April 2018, suggested edits
and changes be made to the draft language, and approved its advancement for consideration by
the full Assembly; and

Whereas, the Codes and Judicial Committee and Assembly have taken steps to publicize the
pending Code change through various methods including public posting, holding public office
hours, placing advertisements in the Cornell Daily Sun, presenting to constituent assemblies,
undertaking personal outreach, among others; and

Whereas, after these discussions the Assembly believes the draft language considerably
improves the process and should be adopted; therefore

Be it Resolved, that the changes outlined in Appendix A of this resolution be incorporated into
Title Two, Art. II, § A.3 of the Campus Code of Conduct; and

Resolved, that the Assembly expresses its gratitude to all those in the Administration and on the
Assembly and its Committees for their time and effort in support of this process and looks
forward to continuing this productive working relationship in the years to come.

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(Passed, Failed, Withdrawn, etc.) Then a block with the certifying member (customarily
Chair/Vice-Chair) verifying the authenticity and vote tally of the resolution.