## Texas A&M University Graduate and Professional Student Council General Assembly 2017-2018 Session

## **Resolution for translating Silver Taps Letters**

Presented by Saloni Bafna and Matthew J. Etchells on May 1, 2018

Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council exists to govern and to serve as the

voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University.

Whereas: Silver Taps is one of the oldest and finest traditions of the Texas A&M student

body. It is that final tribute paid to an Aggie who, at the time of their death, was

enrolled in graduate or undergraduate courses at Texas A&M University.

Whereas: At each ceremony the students write letters to the family of the fallen Aggie and

when an Aggie is an international student it is possible that their native language is not English and the family of the student is unable to read those silver taps letters.

And This collaboration between the Graduate and Professional Student Council and

Whereas: Traditions Council will resolve this linguistic challenge for grieving families and

enable them to read the letters.

Let it be The Graduate and Professional Student Council at Texas A&M University wants

to help in translating the Silver Taps letters. The International Student Affairs committee will coordinate with International Student Services and Traditions Council to support translating letters for international students with non-English

language parents whenever possible.

Let it be A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:

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Action Taken: Passed	Certified By:	Z. Zane Sheehan
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