

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

**A Resolution Supporting a Fee Cap Increase for Student Health
Services**

Presented by Brenna Lin on 3/20/2018

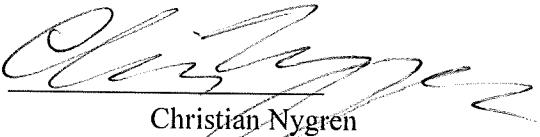
- Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council exists to govern and to serve as the voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University.
- Whereas: Texas A&M Student Health Services exists to advance student development and academic success by providing personalized and evidence-based healthcare to Aggies.
- Whereas: 70% of Student Health Services' funding comes from the Student Health Fee (SHF), while the remaining 30% of funding comes from medical services revenues such as medical office visits, ambulance runs, lab tests, x-rays, etc.
- Whereas: As the current Student Health Services building, A.P. Beutel, currently stands, internal renovations are estimated to cost \$12 million over the next 5 – 10 years.
- Whereas: Greater Student Health Services' funding is also needed for the hiring of additional staff, to maintain and expand patient care for preexisting services, due to increasing student enrollment.
- Whereas: Beginning Fall 2018, the SHF will increase to \$75, a semester, hitting its legislative cap.
- Whereas: The SHF cap is controlled by the Texas State legislature, and was last changed over 20 years ago.
- And
Whereas: An increase to the SHF cap will allow Texas A&M's Student Health Services greater flexibility in the future to adjust due to increasing student enrollment.

Let it be Resolved: The Graduate and Professional Student Council at Texas A&M would like to request the Texas legislature to increase the SHF cap from the current \$75 to \$200.

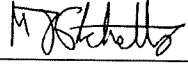
Let it be Further Resolved: A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:

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Action Taken: passed

Certified By: 
Christian Nygren
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Date: 4/3/2018

Duly Approved By: 
Matthew Etchells
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