## UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## Recognition of the SGA Muslim Caucus

Whereas, the University of Houston is committed to fostering an inclusive environment for all its students;

Whereas, the Muslim population within the University of Houston community constitutes a significant portion of the student body;

Whereas, the Muslim student population faces unique challenges and concerns on campus, including but not limited to accommodation for religious practices, combating Islamophobia, and ensuring cultural representation;

**Whereas,** the establishment of a Muslim Caucus within the University of Houston Student Government Association would provide a platform for Muslim students to voice their concerns, advocate for their needs, and foster a sense of community;

Whereas, the Muslim Caucus pledges to support and collaborate with existing Muslim student organizations on campus to address issues affecting the Muslim community;

**Whereas,** the Muslim Caucus pledges to stand with friendly on-campus communities, and in support of the promulgation of progressive ideals, fostering inclusivity, and advocating for a welcoming environment for all students, regardless of their backgrounds or beliefs;

## Therefore, be it be resolved by the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

In recognition of the newly established 61st University of Houston Student Government Association's Muslim Caucus;

**Be it further resolved**, Sen. El Hoderi be Chair and Ranking member of the 61<sup>st</sup> UH SGA Muslim Caucus;

Be it further resolved, Sen. Ibrahim Islam be Vice-Chair of the 61<sup>st</sup> UH SGA Muslim Caucus;

**Be it further resolved,** Sen. Awan be the Caucus Whip of the 61<sup>st</sup> UH SGA Muslim Caucus;

**Be it further resolved**, Sen. El Hoderi, Sen. Yusuf Islam, Sen. Zeidat, Sen. Farehan, Sen. Islam, Sen. Awan, Sen. Jamali, Sen. Khan, Sen. Haseeb, and any other member that identifies as Muslim be the members of the 61st UH SGA Muslim Caucus;

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the 61<sup>st</sup> UH SGA recognizes the establishment of the Muslim Caucus within the UH Student Government Association.

Sebastian Ballesteros Speaker of the Senate Date of Senate Approval: <u>05 - 29 - 2024</u>