WHEREAS: the Northern Iowa Student Government represents students and their interests at the University of Northern Iowa; and

RECOGNIZING: understanding and appreciating diversity is essential to living in the modern world; and

RECOGNIZING: the 2016 election has brought out discrimination and prejudice against multiple groups including but not limited to LGBT people, Muslims, women, and immigrants; and

RECOGNIZING: incidents in which discriminatory posters were placed on and around campus have occurred at both the University of Iowa and Iowa State University; and

RECOGNIZING: the residence of Black Hawk County Supervisor candidate, Chris Schwartz, and UNI student, Logun Buckley, was vandalized with homophobic slurs; and

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: all members of the University of Northern Iowa community, students, faculty, or otherwise, have the human right to safety; and

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: University policy 3.02§5 prohibits:
Violation(s) of the Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy

13.02 ...:
1. Discrimination defined as the adverse treatment of an individual based on that individual’s membership in one or more of the covered protected groups.
2. Bias-related harassment on the basis of actual or perceived membership in a protected class, by any member or group of the campus community, which unreasonably interferes with an individual's work or academic environment.
3. Sexual harassment defined as unwelcome sexual or gender-based verbal, written, online, electronic, and/or physical conduct.
4. Sexual misconduct defined as sexual harassment, non-consensual sexual intercourse, non-consensual sexual contact, sexual exploitation, relationship violence, or stalking.

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: that the Northern Iowa Student Government expresses the utmost support and sympathy to students who have experienced discrimination in any form, on- or off-campus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Northern Iowa Student Government offers their support to the University of Iowa Student Government and Iowa State University Student Government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that such actions of hate are condemned by the Northern Iowa Student Government; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: copies of this resolution are sent to: African Union, Black Student Union, Chinese Students and Scholars Association, Ethnic Student Promoters, Hispanic Latino Student Union, Indian Student Association, Interested Gentlemen of Lambda Theta Phi Fraternity, International Student Association, International Student Promoters, Korean Language and Culture Club, Multicultural Graduate Student Association, Multicultural Teaching Alliance, Muslim Students Association, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People UNI Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated, Pakistani Student Association, Proud, RISE, Turkish Students Association, UNI Chief Diversity Officer Gwennie Berry,
Interim UNI President Jim Wohlpard, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Jan Hanish, Dean of Students Leslie Williams, Interim Provost Brenda Bass, the UNI Diversity and Inclusion Council, NISG Director of Diversity Melanie Majeed, Christopher Schwartz, Logun Buckley, the Northern Iowan, Iowa State University Student Government president Cole Staudt, University of Iowa Student Government president Rachel Zuckerman, and any other parties at the discretion of the Speaker of the Senate.