

1 Title: **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT FOR MAY 1st DAY OF ACTION AND**
2 **RESISTANCE.**

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11 WHEREAS Attacks by the Trump administration are affecting the environment in which
12 we work and study (i.e. Executive Orders targeting Muslims & immigrants,¹ Attempting
13 to repeal the Affordable Care Act,² Limiting external communication from the
14 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Health and Human
15 Services (HHS),³ Curtailing research funding by cutting the budgets of the National
16 Institutes of Health (NIH)⁴, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), National Oceanic
17 and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and Department of Energy (DOE),⁵
18 Approving the Keystone XL and Dakota Access oil pipelines,⁶ Attacking transgender
19 rights,⁷ Planning to defund the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the National
20 Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)⁸, and appointing an unqualified individual, hostile
21 to public education, to serve as Secretary of Education.⁹); and

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23 WHEREAS the City of Seattle has already taken a strong position on declaring itself a
24 sanctuary city and committing to non-cooperation with federal immigration authorities;¹⁰
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27 WHEREAS UAW 4121 (representing 4,000 student workers at the University of
28 Washington) as well as numerous faith, immigrant rights, environmental, and labor
29 organizations, have pledged to participate in May 1st Day of Action and Resistance,
30 through actions including strikes, walkouts, and teach-ins; and the Martin Luther King
31 County Labor Council have passed resolutions supporting May 1st as a Day of Action
32 and Resistance, including strikes, walkouts, and teach-ins;¹¹ and

¹ “EXECUTIVE ORDER.”

² “Here’s the Full List of President Donald Trump’s Executive Orders.”

³ Davenport, “Federal Agencies Told to Halt External Communications.”

⁴ Kelly, “Trump’s Budget Proposal Cuts NIH Funding by 20 Percent.”

⁵ Thrush and Davenport, “Donald Trump Budget Slashes Funds for E.P.A. and State Department.”

⁶ CNN, “Trump Advances Controversial Oil Pipelines with Executive Action.”

⁷ Stack, “Trump Drops Defense of Obama Guidelines on Transgender Students.”

⁸ “President Trump Wants to Kill These 17 Federal Agencies and Programs. Here’s What They Actually Cost (and Do).”

⁹ “Oppose Confirmation of Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education.”

¹⁰ 25 and Pm, “Seattle Mayor Ed Murray.”

¹¹ “Resolutions.”

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WHEREAS UW students and employees are planning to walk off the job and out of the classroom on that day to participate in mass mobilizations for the May 1st Day of Action and Resistance to support healthy and just communities for all.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

THAT GPSS stands in solidarity with faculty, students, and staff participating in the May 1st Day of Action and Resistance; and encourages the University of Washington President, Administration, and The Board of Regents to join us, and

THAT there be no consequences for faculty, staff, or students should they choose to participate.

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