

1 Title: A **RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADDITIONS TO CRIMINAL INCIDENT**
2 **NOTIFICATION EMAILS SENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
3 **COMMUNITY**

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11 WHEREAS emails submitted by the University of Washington Police Department
12 perform an important and legally mandated function, informing students in an expedient
13 fashion regarding all criminal activities on campus; and

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15 WHEREAS these emails also perform the function of enabling the UW community to be
16 vigilant and secure by providing details on criminal suspects and “preventative tips”
17 (although the “tips” can be apprehended as implicit victim-blaming, regardless of intent
18 and ought to include a retroactive disclaimer); and

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20 WHEREAS the emails further benefit the community by sharing numbers for security
21 guard escorts and the UW Police Department; and

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23 WHEREAS the University of Washington’s Graduate and Professional Student Senate
24 believes that further information ought to be added to the criminal notification emails,
25 referencing facilities providing care after criminal occurrences; and

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27 WHEREAS the aforementioned emails are an ideal communicative medium for the
28 conveyance of information regarding these facilities;

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

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33 THAT a note be inserted below the “preventative tips” section of all criminal notification
34 emails which reads “The above tips are not intended to assign (even partial) blame to
35 victims of crimes on or off-campus”

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37 THAT a postscript be included at the conclusion of all criminal notification emails, which
38 will read: “In the interest of public well-being: If you are a University of Washington
39 student on the Seattle campus, the following resources are available to you. 1. The
40 Counseling Center, located in Schmitz Hall, which offers free appointments to all
41 matriculated students. 2. Hall Health’s Mental Health Clinic (located in Hall Health’s
42 Primary Care Center). This clinic accepts insurance and is available to all students (some
43 limitations apply).”

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45 THAT a second postscript also be included at the conclusion of all criminal notification
46 emails, which will read: “In the interest of public well-being, if you are a member of the

47 Seattle community, the following resources are also available to you: 1. The King County
48 Sexual Assault Resource Center: A 24-7 hotline at 888-99-VOICE. 2. Harborview Center
49 for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress at 206-744-1600.”

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51 THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to University of Washington President Ana
52 Mari Cauce, Graduate and Professional Student Senate President Elloise Kim, Associated
53 Students of the University of Washington President Daniele Meñez, *Daily* Editor-in-
54 Chief Mohammed Kloub, UW Counseling Center Director Natasha Foo Kune, Hall
55 Health Mental Health Clinic Head Rachel Gerken, and Title IX/ADA Coordinator Kate
56 Leonard

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58 *Presented to GPSS for approval on Wednesday December 7, 2016*

59 *Approved on Wednesday December 7, 2016*