Title: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMPROVING PROTECTIONS FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

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WHEREAS GPSS and the UW Administration together take pride in the arrival of its most racially diverse incoming class, and believes that the university's commitment to create a just and inclusive learning environment must remain a top priority; and

WHEREAS UW’s launch of the Race and Equity Initiative in 2015 underscored the need to address structural inequalities to work toward the broader goal of inclusion and equity, while the UW Diversity Blueprint has expressed the diversity goals of attracting and retaining a diverse student body and cultivating an inclusive climate; and

WHEREAS President Ana Mari Cauce has pledged continued protection of undocumented students and asserts the University of Washington status as a sanctuary campus, yet has neglected to produce a written statement expressing the non-compliance of the University of Washington with potential actions by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump has issued an executive order to block federal funding from sanctuary cities, threatened to abolish the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DAPA), and repeatedly threatened to deport millions of undocumented immigrants; and

WHEREAS the recent executive orders issued by the White House have created substantial direct impacts, conflicts and distress among immigrant communities, and the White House has significantly expanded ICE enforcement activities, while protection from deportation to individuals previously protected by the DACA program has been threatened; and

WHEREAS these executive orders unduly target marginalized and underrepresented peoples who

WHEREAS faculty and students of UW, as well as the workers of UW and the UAW 4121 Student Union, have called upon UW leadership to increase protections of undocumented individuals on UW campuses at the local level, including a public statement detailing a plan of action in the event of ICE presence; while Mayor Ed Murray and the City of Seattle and the American Association of University Professors have called for the same actions at the national level; and

WHEREAS these events illustrate that the UW Administration has a responsibility to protect its students, faculty, and staff from federal agencies intimidating, investigating, and/or detaining undocumented individuals on campus, and is morally and institutionally accountable if they fail to take every possible action in protecting these individuals,

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

THAT the UW Police deny any ICE agents access to areas of the UW campuses in which students have an expectation of privacy without a warrant signed by a judge, including, but not limited to, all on-campus housing and dining areas, classrooms, labs and student gathering spaces; and

THAT the UW Administration deny ICE access to any data containing sensitive information on students, faculty, and staff, and restrict any such information sharing on such individuals, to the fullest extent possible, between ICE and UW Police under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA); and

THAT the UW Administration provide a public statement of non-compliance describing the intent to refuse cooperation with potential enforcement actions by ICE, as well as establish a zoning of campus areas detailing sensitive locations where individuals’ privacy is protected and ICE access will be restricted and providing a map describing these areas as a resource to students, faculty and staff; and

THAT the UW Administration continue its commitment to provide financial aid to undocumented students by allowing qualifying DACA and undocumented students to pay in-state resident tuition; providing support to students whose undocumented status prohibits them from federal aid, via the Husky Promise; and ensuring alternative structures for funding of these students in the potential event of the dissolution of financial support to sanctuary campuses by the federal government, as well as changes to the education budget by the Washington state government; and

THAT the UW Administration take a stronger role in bolstering and protecting current and existing programs, such as Leadership Without Borders, which inform undocumented individuals of their rights and the academic and financial resources available to them, foster a supportive environment for undocumented students, provide mental health resources for undocumented students facing

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emotional stress under current the current climate of federal immigration actions, and promote and
develop training to educators and institutions on how to protect undocumented students and develop
Undocumented Student Programs\textsuperscript{17}; and

THAT President Cauce and the UW Administration work with the UW Attorney General’s Office, the
Samuel E. Kelly Ethnic Cultural Center, the International Student Services Office, the UW Law Center,
and other pertinent entities to provide designated staff and legal support for undocumented and
international members of our community; and

THAT copies of this resolution be posted on the GPSS website and sent to President Ana Mari Cauce,
Provost Gerald Baldasty, the UW Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity, each member of the Board of
Regents, the ASUW presidents on each campus, and every Dean that oversees graduate or professional
students.

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\textsuperscript{17} \url{http://depts.washington.edu/ecc/lwb/trainings-education/}