Title: A Proclamation celebrating the work of Kristina Sawyckyj as Senator of the Month

Written by the GPSS Executive Committee

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional Student Senate Senator of the Month recognizes the outstanding work of a Senator who contributes to the Senate space, UW Community, and/or greater Seattle area; and

WHEREAS the GPSS Executive Committee voted on March 29, 2023 that Kristina Sawyckyj be the Senator of the Month for March 2023; and

WHEREAS Kristina is the first graduate student representative from the D Center to fill the D Center non-academic seat for GPSS, and

Whereas Kristina has, in her first year of tenure, offered her lived experience as an activist, a veteran, a Native person, a parent, and a person living with disability consistently within our Senate; and

WHEREAS Kristina has advocated for accessibility in our Senate engagements, giving feedback on materials and helping to institute regular 10 minute breaks for the CART captioner every hour; and

Whereas Kristina volunteered to be part of both the GPSS Judicial Committee and the Dean’s Advisory Council for Students (DACS), helping to ensure the internal and external functioning of GPSS and that graduate and professional student voices are heard by UW Administration; and

WHEREAS Kristina volunteered to speak on behalf of graduate students at the 2022–2023 Legislative Reception; and

WHEREAS, in her address at the Legislative Reception, Kristina highlighted…

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

THAT Kristina Sawyckyj be named GPSS’ March 2023 Senator of the Month; and

THAT a copy of this proclamation be maintained in the GPSS records; and

THAT a copy of this proclamation be sent to Kristina Sawyckyj.