THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

of

LOYOLA CHICAGO

MEASURE OF THE SENATE

Electronic Signature and Bylaw Template Act

To allow electronic signatures and provision of a standard bylaw template

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to be filed by the Chief Operations Officer of the Senate

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Madelyn / Lustur Date: 03/21/2021

Signed by the President of the Student Government of Loyola Chicago

Date: 03/23/2021

Signed by the Chief Justice of the Student Government of Loyola Chicago

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¹Whereas,

According to Chapter 3, Article 10, Subsection 8B of The Articles of Governance, hereafter referred to as the Articles, of The Student Government of Loyola Chicago, hereafter referred to as SGLC, the mission of the Governance Committee is as follows:

"The Governance Committee shall be concerned with evaluating the effectiveness and correctness of the Articles of Governance, and shall draft amendments as necessary in order to maintain consistency, accuracy, and clarity throughout the Articles of Governance,¹"

²Whereas,

According to Chapter 2, Article 5, Subsection 2, the Articles further state,

"Further bylaws may be established by subsidiary entities of the SGLC where provided for within the Articles of Governance. All bylaws of the SGLC or its subsidiary entities shall be consistent with the Articles of Governance. In the event that any bylaw is inconsistent with the Articles of Governance, the Articles of Governance shall be the final authority,2" and

³Whereas,

The Articles as currently written do not allow for the signing of bylaws via electronic signature, and

⁴Whereas,

To ensure effective approval and accessibility to bylaws, and

⁵Whereas,

Ultimately, the Judicial Branch determines the validity and effects of the

bylaws of the SGLC and subsidiary entities, and

¹ <u>i. The Governance Committee shall be concerned with evaluating the effectiveness and correctness of the Articles of Governance, and shall draft amendments as necessary in order to maintain consistency, accuracy, and clarity throughout the Articles of Governance</u>

² §2. Further bylaws may be established by subsidiary entities of the SGLC where provided for within the Articles of Governance. All bylaws of the SGLC or its subsidiary entities shall be consistent with the Articles of Governance. In the event that any bylaw is inconsistent with the Articles of Governance, the Articles of Governance shall be the final authority.

⁶Whereas,

The Chief Justice, as head of the Judicial Branch, should determine the structure of bylaws to ensure consistency and uniformity between committees.

¹Be it Enacted.

The Governance Committee recommends the language of Chapter 2, Article 5, Subsection 3 of the Articles be rewritten as follows:

"Bylaws shall be written in Times New Roman, 12-point font, following the format of the Articles of Governance," and

²Be it Enacted,

The Governance Committee recommends Chapter 2, Article 5 of the Articles be amended to include Subsection 9 which shall read:

"The creation of all bylaws by SGLC or its subsidiary entities shall follow the bylaw template provided to them by the Chief Justice at the start of the academic term," and

³Be it Enacted.

The Governance Committee recommends Chapter 2, Article 5 of the Articles be amended to include Subsection 10 which shall read:

"Bylaws may be signed via electronic signature, consisting of a full name typed on the designated line, if a senator is unable to complete physical signature," and

⁴Be it Enacted,

The Governance Committee recommends Chapter 5, Article 17 of the Articles be amended to include Subsection 4D, which shall read:

"The Chief Justice shall be required to create a bylaw template to provide uniformity within committee bylaws prior to the start of the academic term."