Madonna University Student Senate Resolution

Senate Resolution: <u>F16-R-4</u> **Date Adopted: October 7, 2016**

AUTHORED BY: Senator Freemantle **SUPPORTED BY:** President Martin

A RESOLUTION TO: Advocate for the addition of meals and points to resident student meal plans.

THE MADONNA UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE ENACTS:

WHEREAS, Under the original structure, Meal Plan A consists of 250 meals and 100 points, Meal Plan B consists of 180 meals and 250 points, and Meal Plan C consists of 130 meals and 350 points, and;

WHEREAS, The 2016-17 academic year has seen a 2 week increase, with 1 week being added to each semester. Accompanied with move-in day being scheduled the Thursday before school started, that adds an additional 4 days. This 2 and half week increase (1.57 weeks in the Fall and 1 week in the winter) had not been taken into consideration when students purchased their meal plans, and;

WHEREAS, In order for a university to be successful, it's students must thrive both inside and outside of the classroom. In order for students to thrive, they must be happy, healthy, and hungry to learn - not hungry for food, and;

WHEREAS, If students are to be successful, they must be able to supply their bodies with the sustenance they need so that they can sustain themselves, and;

BE IT RESOLVED, these additional meals are necessary for students. The current meal plan structure is based off of a 15 week academic term and would be insufficient in satisfying the resident students' needs for food, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this policy will add the following amounts of meals and points for the Fall 2016 Semester; 5 (to the already added 21) meals (so 26 total), and 10 points to every residence hall student with Meal Plan A; 19 meals and 26 points to every residence hall student with Meal Plan B; and 14 meals and 37 points to every residence hall student with Meal Plan C, at no additional cost to the student, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this policy will also add the following amount of meals and points for the Winter 2017 semester; 17 meals and 10 points to every resident hall student with Meal Plan A; 12 meals and 17 points to every resident student with Meal Plan B; and 9 meals and 23 points to every resident student with Meal Plan C, at no additional cost to the student, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Madonna University Student Senate, and its members support making these changes to Residence Student Meal Plans. The Wellness Committee and its chair are confident that these recommended increases are not only fair, but entitled to the students who have no choice but to purchase meal plans.

SENATE VOTE TOTALS:

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