



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Student Government Association

Proclamation 31-02

A Proclamation in Support of UGA Students with Down Syndrome

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WHEREAS, the University of Georgia has a program to support students with intellectual disabilities - called Destination Dawgs; and,

WHEREAS, many student organizations at the University of Georgia - including ESP@UGA, Special Olympics at UGA, and Student Council for Exceptional Children - help support people with disabilities on campus and in the Athens area; and,

WHEREAS, two out of seven students enrolled in the Destination Dawgs program have down syndrome; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the 31st administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, supports the efforts of the University to be inclusive in terms of students with disabilities; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, we support ESP@UGA's efforts with Dress Down for the Dawgs as a program to raise awareness and support for people with down syndrome; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, we encourage UGA fans and students to dress casually for sporting events, specifically home football games, here at the UGA campus by wearing Dress Down T-shirts, buttons, or stickers in support of Down Syndrome awareness; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY PROCLAIMED, that Friday, November 16th be a day that UGA faculty, staff, and students support the cause by wearing Dress Down attire on campus, and that Saturday, November 17th, be a day that UGA fans Dress Down for the football game against the University of Massachusetts.