



## **Resolution on new “Graduate and Professional Housing” Project on Loop Road**

*Whereas*, as part of planning for future increases in student enrollment, the University has proposed a housing project on Loop Road with projected rents upwards of \$1450 per month,

*Whereas* a majority of graduate students earn less than \$2000 dollars per month before taxes,

*Whereas* the project is titled “Graduate and Professional Housing”, implying accessibility to the graduate and professional student populations at large,

*Whereas* the monthly rent rate for this new housing project exceeds monthly income levels,

*Whereas* lack of access to affordable on-campus housing places Stony Brook University is a competitive disadvantage with regards to graduate student retention/recruitment,

***Be it resolved*** that the Graduate Student Organization of Stony Brook University,

***Urge*** the Administration to explore avenues for making this housing project accessible to the majority of the graduate student population,

***Recommend*** that the University Senate and the Graduate Council investigate the new housing project and the need for quality, affordable housing for graduate students, as outlined in previous Five-Year Plans