

RESOLUTION

Regarding Threats in Student Campaigns

Whereas two student candidates for SGA offices reported threats of violence, and

Whereas one student candidate for SGA office reported the defacing of campaign materials with racial slurs,

Be it resolved that the faculty senate denounces the use of threats of violence in any context in the strongest terms and denounces the use of any spoken or written material designed to be or which can be anticipated to be offensive based on group membership in any context in the strongest terms.

Be it further resolved that the conduct of political campaigns involves some degree of confrontation but does not justify the use of threats of violence or the use of offensive materials based on race or any other group identity.

Be it further resolved that the Faculty Senate joins the administration of the University of Alabama in denouncing these activities and encourages the administration to act forcefully and promptly to counteract the effects of these events on the University community. In addition, the Faculty Senate calls on the entire University community—faculty, students, staff, and alumni—to endorse and join in this effort.

Adopted by Faculty Senate
Margaret Garner, President
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