TO: John W. Nicklow  
President, University of New Orleans

THROUGH: Carolyn Golz  
Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Dean of Students

FROM: Kenady Hills  
President, Student Government Association

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Vice President of Legislative Affairs, Student Government Association

DATE: February 25, 2019

RE: SGA Compound Resolution

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**Compound Resolution in Support of Transgender Student Rights**

The Student Government Association of the University of New Orleans Executive Branch and Legislative Branch have joined together to pass a compound resolution in support of transgender student rights. SGA is asking for university action, specifically to provide gender neutral restroom in high traffic student areas; as well as gender neutral locker rooms in the recreational center. We also ask that the University of New Orleans reaffirm to students its nondiscrimination policy which protects individuals based on gender.

We ask that Dr. Nicklow please respond to this statement in a timely manner, so that we can insure students feel acknowledged, and that their concerns have been properly communicated.
A Compound Resolution

Whereas: the mission of the Student Government Association is to support student rights.

Whereas: in wake of federal efforts and ideas from President Donald Trump’s administration calling for redefining the federal interpretation of gender to exclude transgender Americans identities, it is important that the University of New Orleans and the Student Government Association continue to support and assist the University Of New Orleans transgender population.

Whereas: the UNO Student Government Association holds that the LGBTQ+ community is welcome and important and equal to all other students at the University of New Orleans.

Whereas: the benefit of this resolution is to provide a positive and direct demonstration to the LGBTQ+ population on the UNO campus.

Therefore: the UNO Student Government Association emboldens the administration to strongly encourage that all faculty and staff participate and complete basic LGBTQ sensitivity training.

Therefore: the Student Government Association urges the university to accommodate any University of New Orleans Student who would like to be referred to by their preferred name and/or pronouns in certain situations, rather than legal name.

Therefore: the university should consider adding gender neutral bathrooms and locker rooms to the recreational center.

Therefore: it is important that the University of New Orleans continues to have productive conversations and discussions on what it means to provide transgender students and all underrepresented students with every right given to majority populations.
Therefore: The University of New Orleans should reaffirm its nondiscrimination statement which protects individuals based on gender.

Senate Action: **Pass**

Vote: **16y - DN - 1A**

2-22-19

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SGA President’s Action: **Pass**

2-28-19

SGA PRESIDENT’S SIGNATURE

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