## NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE 93<sup>rd</sup> SESSION, 2013-2014

## **Resolution 106**

## A BILL TO BE ENTILED AN ACT TO RECOMMEND SUPPORT FOR LIBRARY JOURNALS AND STUDENT ACCESS AT NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

Short Title: Library Support ResolutionPrimary Sponsors: Senators Brannum (corresponding), Mau, Stockdale and YadonSecondary Sponsors: Senator PoosamaniSignatories: David Fiala (UGSA President-Elect)Referred to:Version: Senate (Adopted)First Reading: 4-02-2014Second Reading: 4-02-2014

- **WHEREAS,** NCSU Libraries are responding to budget cuts of over \$1.3 million; and be it further,
- WHEREAS, such cuts have forced the Libraries to thus far eliminate 27 positions and cut approximately 625 journal titles; and be it further,
- **WHEREAS,** diverse journal access is imperative to the research, hiring, and retainment of top researchers, which is crucial to NC State's strategic mission to maintain the status as a top-tier research institution; and be it further,
- WHEREAS, availability of the collaborative research areas, electronic resources, and print materials provided by NCSU's two 24-hour access libraries are essential to both graduate and undergraduate students' success; and be it further,
- **WHEREAS**, there has been diverse discussions and concerns regarding the continued academic importance of students both formal and informal and the necessity to maintain 24-hour access; and be it further,
- **WHEREAS**, the University Graduate Student Association (UGSA) has adopted a similar resolution; and be it further,
- **WHEREAS**, the issue is soon to be considered in the Faculty Senate and the Staff Senate to pressure administration to find a new solution; and be it further,
- **RESOLVED,** the NC Student Government recommends that the NC State University Administration immediately pursue all available funding efforts to ensure the academic endeavors of all students are not inhibited in 2014-2015; and be it

further,

- **RESOLVED,** the NC State Student Government calls upon the NC State Administration and Libraries to work together to build a sustainable budget that will provide access to journals deemed necessary for research as well as fund Fall and Spring 24 hour access to both primary NCSU Libraries; and be it further,
- **RESOLVED,** that a copy of this bill be sent to Chancellor Randy Woodson, Provost Warwick Arden, Vice Chancellor and Dean of the Division of Academic and Student Affairs Mike Mullen, Directory of Libraries Susan Nutter, Vice Chancellor and General Counsel Eileen Goldgeier, the NC State Faculty, Staff, and Student Senates, the University Library Committees and the *Technician*; and be it further,

**RESOLVED**, this bill shall be effective upon its enrollment.