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Amendment to the Bylaws for IMLD Appropriations

Whereas, the University of Houston is the second most diverse university in the nation and continually has a growing International and diverse student population; and

Whereas, the University of Houston Student Government Association is committed in its mission to understand the needs of its diverse community of students and work to enhance the quality of these students' experiences¹; and

Whereas, hosting an annual International Mother Language Day event represents a collaborative effort to promote unity through diversity by bringing together students from all cultures and backgrounds to celebrate a cultural tradition and feel welcome by their student body representatives; and

Whereas, the Student Government Association has two hallmark events recognized annually comprised of End of the Stigma in the Fall and International Mother Language Day in the Spring; and

Whereas, a part of the mission and purpose of the Student Government Association is to make students aware of campus resources at their disposal and promote an environment of inclusivity, openness, and appreciation of the diversity and cultural differences; and

Whereas, International Mother Language Day is a large-scale, multi-activity event which embodies all of the qualities that the Student Government Association seeks to represent and which requires resources from all parties involved in order to be successfully initiated.

Therefore, be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

That Title VI, Article 3, Section 4 of the Bylaws add the following clauses:

“Clause 7: A minimum of \$1000 must be set aside from the controllable budget of the Senate each administration for use of the International Mother Language Day event. The Senate may request additional funding from the Executive Branch.

Clause 8: If the event designated above does not use all of the funding provided for the purposes of the event, the remaining funds will be returned to the respective SGA budget under which it was requested.

Clause 9: If the Speaker of the Senate denies additional expenditure of the Senate budget for any event or initiative deemed important and in representation of the mission and purpose of the Student Government Association, the Senate may overrule the Speaker with a simple majority vote, in the form of a Senate resolution.”



Cameron Barrett
Student Government President

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APPROVED



Kim Lorine
Speaker of Senate

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SOURCES

1. University of Houston Student Government Association Mission Statement (2017).
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