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Supporting the Discontinuation of Styrofoam Products at All Campus Dining Franchises

Whereas, Polystyrene, commonly known as Styrofoam, is a non-renewable plastic that pollutes our environment and takes more than 500 years to naturally decompose^{[1][2]};

Whereas, the *only* dining franchise on-campus that uses Styrofoam is Chick-fil-a;

Whereas, the University of Houston is dedicated to maintaining an environmentally sustainable campus, with various initiatives put forth by the Office of Sustainability and different individual departments.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

That the Student Government Association is in support of maintaining the University of Houston's dedication to maintaining an environmentally sustainable campus through the utilization of a campus-wide ban of Styrofoam products offered at all campus dining franchises;

Be it further resolved, that the Chick-fil-a franchises located in the Student Center South and Student Center Satellite are urged to cease the use of Styrofoam products and switch to a non-Styrofoam alternative for cups.

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¹<https://sustainability.wustl.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Impacts-of-Styrofoam.pdf>

²https://ieep.eu/archive_uploads/2127/IEEP_ACES_Polysterene-product_fiche_final_October_2016.pdf