

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 7-32

A RESOLUTION TO DO FURTHER REVISE THE ELECTIONS CODE

WHEREAS, Article VI of the Central Student Government (“CSG”) Compiled Code (the “Elections Code”) underwent significant reorganization and revision through AR 7-003; **AND**

WHEREAS, CSG subsequently held an Election on November 20 and 21, 2017; **AND**

WHEREAS, more rigorous definition of “campaigning” and “party” will ensure fairer adjudication of complaints; **AND**

WHEREAS, anonymous submission of elections complaints allows community members to do so without fear of repercussions; **AND**

WHEREAS, more rigorous definition of “campaign material” will ensure fairer adjudication of complaints about its use; **AND**

WHEREAS, write-in voting has been an important part of CSG elections¹ and should be officially acknowledged in the Code given it is used elsewhere; **AND**

WHEREAS, shortening the timeline for acceptance of seats won through write-in campaigns facilitates more expedient conduction of CSG business; **AND**

WHEREAS, outside endorsements are antithetical to the intended nature of CSG as a student government; **AND**

WHEREAS, establishment of the details of the UMPD Oversight Committee election would better ensure its function in providing representatives; **AND**

WHEREAS, review of petitions and ballot questions can be better undertaken by the University Elections Commission than the Central Student Judiciary and should not require a diversity of schools, under the Constitution;

THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Elections Code be modified to add in §A(3) after “ballot question” the text “, including informing potential voters about the presence of some but not all options in an election” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED, that the Elections Code be modified to strike in §A(4) the text “involved in campaigning for” and replace it with “coordinating with” and add after

¹ Typically filling multiple seats on the Assembly; see <https://csg.umich.edu/elections/uec-cases/>

“candidate(s)” the text “for the purpose of campaigning” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to add within §G(1)e after “occurred” the text “, or direct that the Special Prosecutor shall serve as the Petitioner” and within §G(2)a after “associated evidence” the text “; and the identity of the filer of the complaint shall be kept confidential by the Elections Director” and within §G(2) the additional paragraph c, as follows, and relettering subsequent paragraphs, “c. **Gathering of Evidence.** If the Special Prosecutor is serving as the Petitioner, they may request that the remainder of the procedures of the Complaint be delayed by 24 hours in order to gather additional evidence, to be submitted in a separate brief to the UEC. If such a request is made, the Complaint shall be considered received upon the filing of such a brief or the expiration of 24 hours, and any such brief shall be delivered to the recipients of the Complaint and considered part of it.”; **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to strike within §F(3)e(ii) the text “including text or images” and replace it with “paid for by a candidate or party that does not otherwise clearly identify its funding source,” and add within §F(3)e(iv) after “previously elected” the text “to the position for which they are running”; **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to add §D(5)b(v) as follows: “v. **Write-in Voting.** Each election shall permit voters to make write-in selections for any or all of their votes.” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to move §D(7) to the end of §E, renumbering it §E(12), and to strike from §E(12)c the text “10 days of the UEC certifying the results” replacing it with “3 days of notification” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to strike from the title of §F(3)b “CSG” and to strike the title of §F(3)b(i), replacing it with “**CSG Endorsements**” and to add after §F(3)b(i) the section “**ii. Outside Endorsements.** No person or entity outside the student body shall endorse any candidate or party. No candidate or party may solicit such an endorsement.” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

RESOLVED,

that the Elections Code be modified to add within §E(12)e after “of the Constitution” the text “, with the exception of the UMPD Oversight Committee seat. The Elections Director shall notify the UMPD Oversight Committee of the winner of its elected seat, who shall be seated at the

66 discretion of the Committee.” and after “remain in office” the text
“unless” **AND BE IT FURTHER**

68 **RESOLVED,** that the Elections Code be modified to strike from §H(2) “CSJ” each of
the four times that it appears and replace it with “UEC” **AND BE IT**
70 **FURTHER**

RESOLVED, that the Elections Code be modified to strike from §H(3)e the text
72 “**Distribution and**” and the text “If applicable, no more than 80% of the
signatures can be from one school or college.” and the text “100”
74 replacing it with “20%” **AND BE IT FINALLY**

RESOLVED, that the CSG Compiled Code be modified to add in Article III, §A(4)
76 after “University Elections Commission” the text “, Special Prosecutor”
and after “Elections Director” the text “, as specified in Article VI”.

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