ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 07-33

**A RESOLUTION to ENSURE THE TRANSPARENCY OF**

**CENTRAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS,** Transparency is a tenant of representative government; ­­**AND**

**WHEREAS,** Constituents must know how their representatives vote in order to make informed decisions when those representatives seek re-election; **AND**

**WHEREAS,** It is common practice among governmental representative bodies to publish how their members vote on various matters [[1]](#footnote-1); **AND**

**WHEREAS,** Central Student Government (CSG) is the representative body for the students of the University of Michigan; **AND**

**WHEREAS,** CSG currently does not publish how representatives vote on resolutions; **AND**

**WHEREAS,** CSG’s constitution and code of operation procedures require the publication of all roll call votes; **AND**

**WHEREAS,** Representatives in CSG are not required to personally inform their constituents of how they have voted on resolutions; **THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** The operating procedures shall be amended to add “The Speaker and Vice Speaker shall forward the records of all roll call votes to the person responsible for managing the CSG website. That individual will ensure that the voting records on all roll call votes can be accessed from the website,” which shall be designated as subsection 3 of Chapter V, section C; **AND BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED,** The operating procedures shall be amended to add “The records for roll call votes on resolutions shall be published along with the resolution. The Speaker and Vice Speaker are responsible for ensuring that the individual voting record of members on any resolution voted upon by roll call vote is easily accessible and publicly available on the CSG website,” which shall be designated as subsection 4 of Chapter V, section C; **AND BE IT FINALLY**

**RESOLVED,** The operating procedures shall be amended to add “5. The voting records of individual members for each roll call vote shall be preserved and remain public on the CSG website for the duration of five subsequent Assemblies,” which shall be designated as subsection 5 of Chapter V, section C

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1. Here’s an example: https://www.congress.gov/public-laws/115th-congress [↑](#footnote-ref-1)