

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 7-057

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AN EQUITABLE GRADUATION EXPERIENCE

- WHEREAS,** The total end of terminal academic year costs for undergraduate and graduate students can amount up to \$340, on average¹²³⁴; **AND**
- WHEREAS,** For many students, these costs are unaffordable and foster inequitable graduation experiences among students⁵; **AND**
- WHEREAS,** Central Student Government believes in the importance of equitable distribution of resources and opportunities; **AND**
- WHEREAS,** Students who are graduating from the University of Michigan deserve to celebrate their achievements, without the barrier of exorbitant cost;
THEREFORE BE IT
- RESOLVED,** The Central Student Government Executive Committee will allocate \$1,000 to pay for the time and labor of the CSG Photographer, who will take and make freely available up to 4 free photographs of any graduating University of Michigan student on three dates in April 2018, to be determined based on the photographer's availability; **AND BE IT FURTHER**
- RESOLVED,** The Central Student Government Executive Committee will allocate \$1,000 to pay for ceremonial graduation attire of various sizes to be available free of cost on a first come, first serve basis for any graduating University of Michigan student on the same three dates of the graduation photos; **AND BE IT FINALLY**
- RESOLVED,** The Central Student Government supports this effort and will work with students, organizations, and units to ensure strategic marketing and maximum impact of this event.

¹ "Barnes & Noble, The University of Michigan." (2018). Retrieved from <https://oakhalli.com/colleges/UMICH/complete.php?z=1&eventid=573>

² "Michiganensian Yearbook Order." (2018). Retrieved from <http://www.michiganyearbook.com/content/order>

³ Bear, B. (2018). *Senior Pricing*. Retrieved from <https://benjibearphotography.com/>

⁴ "Samii Stoloff Photography." (2018). Retrieved from <http://www.samiistoloffphotography.com/>

⁵ Smith, C. (2013, April 23). *Viewpoint: Commencement and classism*. Retrieved from <https://www.michigandaily.com/opinion/04viewpoint-commencement-and-classism25>

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Yes: _____ No: _____ Abs: _____ Date: _____

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