



GSA Bill #28

Sexual Assault Awareness Month Advocacy Event, HuskerOut 3.0

1           **WHEREAS**, per the passage of Bills 12 and 18, the Graduate Student Assembly (GSA)  
2 has successfully lobbied legislation pertinent to graduate and professional students,

3           **WHEREAS**, bills LB857 - Adopt the Campus Confidentiality Act, LB988 – Adopt an  
4 affirmative consent standard with respect to sexual assault, and LB1126 – Adopt the Sexual  
5 Assault Survivors’ Bill of Rights Act, were introduced to the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature,  
6 and their enactment would significantly improve the reporting process for survivors of sexual  
7 assault and harassment,

8           **WHEREAS**, graduate and professional students are a particularly vulnerable demographic  
9 to sexual harassment and assault,

10           **WHEREAS**, Sexual Assault Awareness month is observed every year in April, under the  
11 coordination of the National Sexual Violence Resource Center,

12           **WHEREAS**, as per our organizational mission and the established precedent, the GSA can  
13 reach out to faculty, staff, students, recognized student organizations, administrators, and others to  
14 inform them of how they can advocate to improve the conditions in which graduate and  
15 professional students contribute to the University,

16           **WHEREAS** the GSA Committee for Diversity and Inclusion is committed to support  
17 students from throughout the University community and to ensure that GSA programming is  
18 available and pertinent to the diverse graduate student community,

19           **THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED**, that the GSA, in collaboration with volunteers from  
20 ASUN and other graduate students, will hold a series of #HuskerOut 3.0 events between the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
21 and the 18<sup>th</sup> of April. The focus of these events would be to educate attendees about the proposed  
22 legislation, offer a chance to write to legislators and university administrators regarding student  
23 issues, and express support to survivors of sexual assault and harassment via a collaborative art  
24 project. Additionally, representatives from the GSA Diversity and Inclusion Committee will also  
25 represent the GSA at the End Rape on Campus March that will be held on April 5, 2018,

26           **THEREFORE, LET IT BE FINALLY ENACTED**, that the GSA authorizes the  
27 Committee for Diversity and Inclusion to allocate up to \$200.00 from account 408 (Diversity and  
28 Inclusion Committee) for the purposes of securing art supplies, cleaning supplies, and promotional  
29 material, and to secure GSA representation at the End Rape on Campus March.

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