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A RESOLUTION TO:

Develop and consider academic models to accept transferrable credit for MLS courses at Western Michigan University that are part of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program.

Recognizing, that Grand Valley State University (GVSU) does not have an establish ROTC program housed within our institution, hence GVSU does not provide the courses that are a part of the ROTC curriculum.

Recognizing, that students who currently desire to pursue the ROTC program must "guest-enroll" at Western Michigan University (WMU) to take part in the ROTC required courses that WMU provides.

Recognizing, that GVSU does not recognize the course credits that cadets receive from in the ROTC program at WMU.

Recognizing, that cadets may not utilize financial aid (nor the post 9/11 GI Bill) for the ROTC courses they take at WMU due to the fact that the credits are not completed or credited at the home institution (credits are acquired under the guest-enrolled status).

Whereas, 7 out of the GVSU's 11 peer institutions support an ROTC program within their institution, thereby crediting the courses that cadets are required to take; and that 3 of the peer institutions who do not house an ROTC program offer the program through another local university or institution and give credit to the transferred courses that cadets take at the guest-enrolled university.

Recognizing, that GVSU students enrolled in ROTC bring diversity to the student body, a technical set of skills in a broad range of fields, and value to incoming freshmen.

Let It Be Resolved, that the Grand Valley Student Senate moves to support GVSU cadets enrolled in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps through Western Michigan University by developing and considering academic models to accept credit for the cadets' ROTC courses.