

102<sup>ND</sup> RICHMOND COLLEGE SENATE

**A RESOLUTION IMPLORING MEANS OF CREATING A SAFER UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND COMMUNITY**

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**WHEREAS** studies have shown that the highest rates of sexual assault and violence occur in the first weeks of freshman and sophomore year, when college students are most vulnerable

**WHEREAS** the University of Richmond strives to create the safest environment for its students and to limit instances of sexual assault and violence by any means possible

**WHEREAS** some students will drink alcohol and attend parties regardless of whether there is a University-wide dry period, and enacting a dry period makes such students more likely to attend unapproved off campus events

**WHEREAS** rules forbidding events with alcohol distribution and consumption will only prevent the most responsible organizations from holding such events, and many organizations will hold unapproved events regardless

**WHEREAS** it is safer for students to attend events sponsored on campus than to attend unapproved off campus events; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, that the Richmond College Senate

(1) Recommends that the University abstain from making the orientation and welcome weeks dry weeks, and instead require higher numbers of risk management in these first weeks, as a means of creating a safer University of Richmond community.

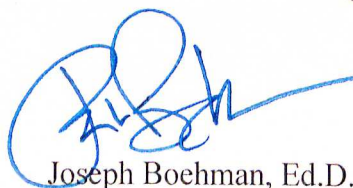
On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017;



Abbas A. Abid  
President



Jonathan C. Hayes  
Speaker



Joseph Boehman, Ed.D.  
Dean