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A Simple Resolution-

2 To be known as "A Simple Resolution Condemning the September 24th
3 Hate Crime that occurred on campus" which submits for the
4 outward censure of violence and racial prejudice that has
5 affected our students and campus community.

6 **WHEREAS:** The Student Government of Texas State University, on
7 behalf of the student body of Texas State University, would like
8 to address the recent racial violence attack that occurred on
9 our university campus, and

10 **WHEREAS:** On Tuesday, September 24th, 2024, a black student
11 discovered their vehicle parked at Woods Street Parking Garage
12 was vandalized with a racial slur keyed onto their car, and

13 **WHEREAS:** On Thursday, October 3rd, 2024, the NAACP of Texas State
14 University put out a statement on social media addressing the
15 incident. In the statement, they had several requests of the
16 university to immediately condemn the hateful act, institute
17 change that allows the university to be better couriers for
18 social justice and further its commitment to combating racism.
19 They also asked that a review of security measures be conducted

20 to ensure the community has protections in place to prevent
21 future incidents of racial hate and crime, and

22 **WHEREAS:** Texas State University has a student population with
23 over 57% of our students identifying as people of color. With
24 such diversity, we should create an environment of inclusion and
25 respect, not one where hatred is tolerated. Every student
26 deserves to feel safe and valued, and it's important that as a
27 university, we work towards eradicating any form of
28 discrimination or hate, and

29 **WHEREAS:** As the legislative student body for Texas State, we are
30 committed to exploring avenues and legislation that promote
31 safety for all students and will continue to advocate for a safe
32 and diverse campus community, we stand with the NAACP and the
33 student that was victimized as there is no place for hatred,
34 violence, or prejudice on this campus, and

35 **WHEREAS:** Student Government echoes President Kelly Damphousse's
36 statement that, "Texas State University treats acts of racial
37 bias and hate with zero tolerance. Such acts, against even one
38 member of our Bobcat community, affect us all." This act of
39 violence is one that the entire community of Bobcats is affected
40 by, and we are obligated to call out racism, address violence,
41 and stand together when hatred attempts to tear down and
42 infiltrate our campus in such an egregious demonstration like
43 what occurred in the Wood Street Parking Garage on September
44 24th, 2024, and

45 **BE IT RESOLVED:** The Student Government of Texas State University
46 formally supports and stands with the student that was
47 victimized and the NAACP of Texas State University, and

48 **BE IT RESOLVED:** The Student Government of Texas State University
49 formally condemns any form of racial bias, hatred, or prejudice
50 in our campus community, and

51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** This legislation be forwarded to the
52 Student Body President for further action.