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Endorses the Boston University Graduate Workers Union and pledges our support to amplifying their campaign.

IN THE SENATE OF THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT

October 3, 2022

Alex Brumfield submitted the following resolution;

AN ENDORSEMENT

Whereas, the Boston University Graduate Workers Union (BUGWU) was announced at the beginning of the Fall 2022 semester in a partnership with SEIU Local 509.

Whereas, BUGWU advocates for a living wage, comprehensive health care coverage, international student rights, workload protections, and housing justice for 3,000 graduate workers at BU.

Whereas, graduate students at Boston University make up much of the infrastructure required for the university to run.

Recognizing, that unionization and the pursuit of collective bargaining are fundamental labor rights.

Recognizing, that the Student Government's duty to the undergraduate community must include support and solidarity for those who make our university run.

Recognizing, that the Student Government has already committed to supporting SEIU L509, which will include the graduate workers following their recognition.

Be it resolved, The Boston University Student Government endorses the BU Graduate Workers Union and calls on the Boston University Administration to recognize the right to collective bargaining and refrain from any action that would impede the democratic process of unionization.

Be it resolved, The Boston University Student Government will commit to the steps outlined in Article 1 to ensure its support for BUGWU.

Article 1

Following the passage of this resolution, the Student Government will commit to the following steps, to be taken within a week of its passage.

- The Student Government will draft and publish a statement of support for BUGWU, to be sent via social media and the Presidential email to the full student body.
- The Student Government will remain in regular contact with union organizers from BUGWU to address potential action items.

The following items are recommended action items to be discussed and taken in collaboration with BUGWU.

- The Student Government should organize a town hall in collaboration with BUGWU for undergraduate students to receive more information about the union and ask questions directly to organizers.