A RESOLUTION OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY, REQUESTING THE NAME OF THE STUDENT UNION BE CHANGED TO THE JAMES AND RACHEL VOTRUBA STUDENT UNION.

WHEREAS: Dr. Votruba has served as university president since 1997, longer than any other NKU president, and

WHEREAS: The construction of the Student Union was an initiative of the Student Government Association, supported by Dr. Votruba, and was funded primarily from a special use fee paid by students, and

WHEREAS: During Dr. Votruba’s tenure, the university has seen an impressive 34% growth in enrollment, programs offered, the addition of numerous facilities, and gained prominence across the nation, and

WHEREAS: Rachel Votruba, as the president’s wife, has served as an ambassador at numerous functions and hosted many events in their personal residence, and

WHEREAS: Rachel Votruba served as a professor in the College of Education and Human Services, retiring in 2003, and

WHEREAS: Dr. and Mrs. Votruba have demonstrated their true dedication to the students of NKU through their personal involvement in student life programs, and

WHEREAS: Dr. and Mrs. Votruba have been both compassionate and loving of Northern Kentucky University students during their time as NKU’s “first family”, and

WHEREAS: The Student Government Association recognizes that the university's naming policy provides for a timeframe for honorary naming recognition, but firmly believes that Dr. and Mrs. Votruba's distinguished service has had exceptional and lasting impact on the welfare of the university and therefore deserves immediate special recognition.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, ON THIS 28th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011 THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REQUESTS THE NAME OF THE STUDENT UNION BE CHANGED TO THE JAMES AND RACHEL VOTRUBA STUDENT UNION.

Signed: Dustin Robinson
President

Signed: Joseph Pons
Senator