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86th Student Government Association  
Bethel College

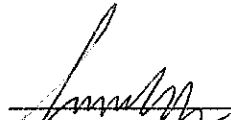
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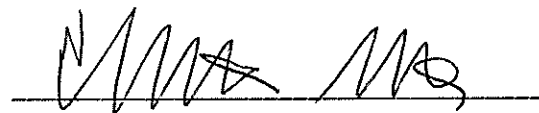
Introduced By: Madison Hofer-Holdeman, Senator at Large

Date Submitted: Thursday, November 16, 2018

Action Taken by the Student Government Association Senate

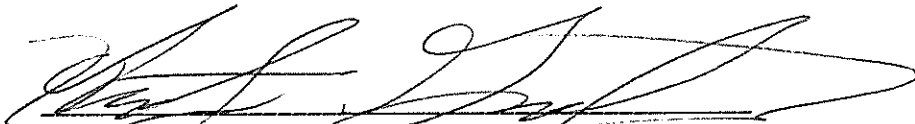
Vote:  For     Against     Abstentions


  
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Sydney Bollinger, Speaker of the Senate

  
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Elizabeth Tran, Secretary of the Senate

Action Taken by the Student Body President

Enacted     Vetoed

  
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Heath Goertzen, Student Body President

  
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Zackary Shinkle, Coordinator of Student Activities, SGA Advisor

"FOR STUDENTS...BY STUDENTS"

**86-028: A Bill to Fund and Implement Bringing In The Bystander Intervention Curriculum**

**Abstract:** Bringing In The Bystander, the suggested bystander/prevention curriculum, has been evaluated and found to be effective in shifting attitudes, cultivating senses of bystander responsibility, and increasing the likelihood of participants intervening across a wide range of colleges and communities. Its goal is towards changing attitudes around sexual assault, and it increases safety through knowledge of healthy relationships, empathy towards survivors, and bystander intervention.

**Whereas,** Bethel College has cared for the safety of its students and maintained a Title IV office, but students believe that now more action is needed regarding the prevention of sexual harassment and sexual assault, AND

**Whereas,** educating members of college communities about the realities of sexual assault and equipping them with tools to identify and prevent rape can help create important cultural shifts away from perpetuating and towards preventing assault and harassment, AND

**Furthermore,** in light of increased awareness of sexual assault and its silencing and traumatizing affects, more overt action is necessary to support survivors and to prevent future life-altering events, AND

**Recognizing,** that everyone has a role to play in ending violence, including on the campus of Bethel College,

**Therefore, Let it be Enacted:**

1. that SGA will fund a third of the program's costs, \$566.67 of \$1,700, which includes the licensure of the program for three years, with the assumption that the institution of Bethel College, and Student Life will offer forth the remaining two-thirds, AND
2. that SGA will oversee an adequate implementation of its facilities over the next three years.