ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTY-THIRD SESSION

BILL NO. 53-59

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A RESOLUTION TO: Oppose Federal Actions that Restrict and Prohibit the Travel and Immigration of Students and Scholars

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

- WHEREAS, On March 6, 2017, President Trump issued Executive Order 13769, which imposes a temporary ban on entries to the United States from six, predominantly Muslim countries: Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen; and,
- WHEREAS, According to Michigan State University's Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS), there are a total of 123 MSU students from these six countries: Iran (95), Libya (19), Syria (5), Yemen (2), Somalia (1), and Sudan (1); and,
- WHEREAS, International Students enrolled at Michigan State University supported more than 4500 jobs and contributed upward of 310 million dollars to the local economy per the most recent data available from NAFSA. Retaining and attracting international students and scholars directly benefits the greater Lansing community, Michigan State University and the entire student body; and,
- WHEREAS, For humanitarian reasons and on grounds that an immigration ban "poses a fundamental long-term threat to America's global leadership in higher education, research, and innovation," the Association of American Universities, Association of Public & Land-Grant Universities, the American Council on Education, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science have all opposed the ban; and,
- WHEREAS, The 90-day ban on issuance of new visas, including student visas, creates ambiguity and concern for current international students, disrupts international students in the current admissions process, and tells the global community that the U.S. is no longer a welcoming place for higher education; therefore be it,
- RESOLVED, The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) opposes Federal actions that restrict and prohibit the travel and immigration of students and scholars as such actions threaten the learning experience of

Michigan State University students while undermining the core democratic values this country and institute were founded on.

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