

RESOLUTION ON CHANGES TO THE DIVISION OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

WHEREAS the University Administration is considering disbanding the Division of Biological Sciences, and

WHEREAS this change will greatly affect many members of the Cornell community, and

WHEREAS the University Assembly mission statement declares that the UA is to provide a vehicle for the continuous involvement of community members in the decision-making process of the University, and

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate has resolved that decisions regarding changes to the Division of Biological Sciences should not occur without the "same thorough and careful deliberation used in the creation of the Division", and

WHEREAS the Student Assembly has resolved that the President should defer his decision, and to use the time "to solicit, utilize, and respond to input" from the Cornell community,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the University Assembly implores the administration to delay a decision concerning the Division of Biological Sciences, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the UA requests that the administration uses this time to allow members of the University community to voice their concerns and ideas regarding the changes in the Division of Biological Sciences.

Respectively Submitted,

Dennis Carlson

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Passed by acclamation by the University Assembly on October 28, 1998.