

Resolution in Support of Campus Diversity – March, 2011

WHEREAS Indiana University, South Bend is a public institution the primary goal of which is to educate a diverse population;

WHEREAS IU South Bend declares in its *Diversity Vision Statement* that it is “an urban, public, comprehensive university” that “strives to nurture and sustain a teaching, learning and working environment that fosters respect for each individual and honors the differences among all people. These include, but are not limited to, race, ethnicity, gender, age, socio-economic class, national and regional origin, disability, sexual orientation and religion...”;

WHEREAS Chick-fil-A is a business that promotes discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation through its political contributions;

WHEREAS IU South Bend’s support for a vendor that promotes discrimination, fosters disrespect, and encourages an atmosphere of intimidation against its LGBT students;

WHEREAS IU South Bend faculty cannot fully educate our students to best of our capacity if IU South Bend supports or condones discrimination that targets them;

WHEREAS IU South Bend has a choice in vendors with which it may do business;

BE IT RESOLVED that the IU South Bend faculty support the Student Government Association, the Civil Rights Student Association, the Feminist Student Union, and the Student Workers' Association's demand for a full and immediate review of Chick-fil-A as a qualified vendor;

BE IT RESOLVED that the IU South Bend faculty support the Student Government Association, the Civil Rights Student Association, the Feminist Student Union, and the Student Workers' Association's proposal for a vendor review panel to be installed to ensure that current and future vendors adhere to the *Diversity Vision Statement*.