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## Student Assembly R. 85: Supporting the Creation of an Official Cornell Mascot

*Sponsor: Sarah Balik on behalf of Geoffrey Block*  
*Propose on April 29th, 2014*

- 1 Whereas, traditions connect Cornellians, and create the sense of community we desire;  
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3 Whereas, Cornell's athletic teams have been a source of pride and tradition for generations of  
4 Cornellians;  
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6 Whereas, Cornell does not have an official mascot  
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8 Whereas, In 1915, the Cornell varsity football team collected \$25 to buy a black bear cub,  
9 which they named Touchdown, to serve as a mascot  
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11 Whereas, since that day, Touchdown the "Big Red" Bear has served as the de facto mascot of  
12 Cornell University;  
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14 Whereas, Touchdown's presence throughout Cornell, such as on the University Mace and the  
15 entrance to Willard Straight Hall, permanently connects it to the history of the University  
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17 Whereas, the creation of a statute of Touchdown further reinforces the notion that Touchdown  
18 is our mascot  
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20 Be it therefore resolved, that the Student Assembly fully supports the recognition of Touchdown  
21 as the official mascot of Cornell  
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23 Be it Further Resolved, that this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for  
24 consideration  
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26 Respectfully Submitted  
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29 Vice President of Finance, Student Assembly  
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