



Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #43 Addressing Cissexism

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Whereas, Cornell University only recognizes the genders “male” and “female” university-wide,

Whereas, Cornell University is required to report annually to the United States Government’s Department of Education its demographics of each student’s sex assigned at birth,

Whereas, many Cornell students do not identify with their sex assigned at birth, are intersex, transgender, queer, or otherwise do not identify within the gender binary,

Whereas, certain departments at Cornell, such as Gannett Health Services, recognize non-binary gender identities,

Whereas, Cornell University’s commitment to diversity and inclusiveness prohibits discrimination based on an individual’s or group’s actual or perceived gender identity or expression,

Be it therefore resolved, that the SA recommends that the university collect information regarding LGBTQ+ status by inserting voluntary demographic questions including sexual orientation and gender identity in addition to data about legal sex as required by the federal government into the undergraduate application for admission,

Be it further resolved, that all intra-university forms and documents, where demographic information is collected, provide undergraduate students the option to choose their preferred gender or gender identity,

Be it finally resolved, that Cornell helps eradicate all forms of cissexism (making people identify with the sex they were assigned at birth) on campus

Respectfully Submitted,

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