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A Resolution for: UNI Administration and faculty regarding Violent Incident Defense Strategies

for Faculty and Staff

Sponsored by: Senator Nate Schultz and Senator Eric Boisen

First Reading: October 30, 2013

Vote: 13-0-0

Speaker Action: ______ Stef McGraw – Speaker Date

WHEREAS: The UNI administration has the ability to encourage faculty and staff to complete training pertinent to their job as educators; and

RECOGNIZING: That UNI already has a program for teaching Violent Incident Defense Strategies free of charge to students, faculty and staff; and

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That the large majority of Northern Iowa students, faculty and staff have not received any training regarding violent and on-campus active shooter incidents; and

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That faculty and staff will likely be looked to for leadership roles during violent and active shooter incidents and should have the necessary training to make the appropriate decisions; and

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That members of the UNI administration already recognize the importance of training for emergency situations and are exploring possibilities related to the subject; and

RECOGNIZING IN CONTRAST: That faculty and staff have busy schedules and that their academic work and student support services are rightly their primary concerns day-to-day; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: That Northern Iowa Student Government would like the University administration, Faculty Senate, and the United Faculty to examine the possibility of requiring or encouraging faculty and staff to take a Violent Incident Defense Strategies class to increase University safety and preparedness; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Copies of this resolution shall be sent to Tom Madsen, NISG President; Gloria Gibson, Executive Vice President and Provost; Nancy Lippens, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs; Jerry Smith, Chair of the Faculty Senate; Jeff Funderburk, Chair of the Faculty; Lieutenant Joe Tyler, UNI Public Safety; the *Northern Iowan* and any other media selected by the Speaker.