



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Student Assembly

FROM: Steven P. Adelson, Representative

DATE: October 12, 2013

SUBJECT: Investigation into Alternative, Permanent Funding for University Ambulance Services

I recommend that the Student Assembly adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. is the sole ambulance service provider to the State University of New York at Stony Brook; and

Whereas, the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. is additionally an ambulance service provider to the surrounding areas of the State University of New York at Stony Brook; and

Whereas, the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. serves a population of over forty-five thousand people; and

Whereas, the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. has a list of operational costs in order to simply meet the codes, rules and regulations dictated by the Department of Health of the State of New York; and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook is the primary source of funding (approximately 54 percent) for the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc.; and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Body of the State University of New York at Stony Brook, a population of 16,003 (as of Fall 2012), is the absolute source of said approximately 54 percent of funding for the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc.; and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook is funded through the Student Activity Fee; and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Body of the State University of New York at Stony Brook shall, every two years, determine by referendum whether the Student Activity Fee shall be either voluntary or mandatory; and

Whereas, if the Undergraduate Student Body of the State University of New York at Stony Brook determines that the Student Activity Fee shall be voluntary, the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc. cannot feasibly meet the codes, rules and regulations dictated by the Department of Health of the State of New York through the remaining sources of funding; and

Whereas, the State University of New York at Stony Brook will not have an ambulance service provider if the Student Activity Fee shall be voluntary; and

Whereas, there are other Undergraduate and Graduate Student Governments/Associations of State Universities of New York that are the primary, or sole source of funding for their respective State University of New York's ambulance service provider; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook supports the exploration for alternative, permanent funding for the sole ambulance service provider, Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc., to the State University of New York at Stony Brook; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook suggests that the inclusion of an Ambulance Service Fee to the mandatory Student Health Services Fee be considered during the exploration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook supports the exploration for alternative, permanent funding for ambulance service providers to all State Universities of New York; and finally, be it

RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Government of the State University of New York at Stony Brook appeals to the Student Assembly of the State University of New York, the State University of New York Board of Trustees, the Governor of the State of New York, and New York State Legislature to intently explore alternative, permanent funding for ambulance service providers to all State Universities of New York.

Supporting Documentation is Attached.