

Texas A&M University  
Graduate and Professional Student Council  
General Assembly  
2016-2017 Session

**A Resolution including Texas A&M University Student Veterans Association as a non-departmental voting organization of the Graduate and Professional Student Council General Assembly**

*Presented by Kevin Sprague and Alisha Ahamed on September 20, 2016*

- Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) exists to govern and to serve as the voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University
- Whereas: The Texas A&M Student Veterans Association's (TAMU SVA) mission of providing Veterans, Active Duty, Retired, and Reserve/National Guard members of the U.S. Armed Forces with a voice in the Texas A&M University System is in line with GPSC's mission to serve as the voice for all graduate students
- Whereas: Approximately half the students identifying as veteran are pursuing a graduate or professional degree at Texas A&M University
- Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council acknowledges the unique challenges faced by graduate veteran students in transitioning to an academic environment
- And  
Whereas: There is no separate representation within the GPSC General Assembly for graduate veteran students
- Let it be  
Resolved: The Graduate and Professional Student Council supports the inclusion of Texas A&M Student Veterans Association as a non-departmental organization with full voting privileges in the General Assembly
- Let it be  
Further  
Resolved: A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:  
Dr. Daniel Pugh, Sr.  
*Vice President for Student Affairs*  
Col. Gerald L. Smith  
*Director of Veterans Resource and Support Center*  
SGM. Donald Freeman

*Advisor to the TAMU Student Veterans Association*

**Paul Taele**

*President of the Graduate and Professional Student Council*

**Jamie Wangler**

*Advisor to the Graduate and Professional Student Council*

**Stefanie Baker**

*Advisor to the Graduate and Professional Student Council*

**Action Taken:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Certified By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Christian Nygren**  
*Executive Vice President*

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Duly Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Paul Taele**  
*President*