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### Resolution: 01.1819

*In response to the lack of attendance at the mandatory Title IX training.*

**Whereas**, the Undergraduate Student Association (USA) recognizes that ESF is an institution for higher education that should be free of discrimination on the basis of sex, as in accordance with Title IX; a federal civil rights law passed under the Education Amendments of 1972<sup>1</sup>; and

**Whereas**, “The institution prohibits sexual and interpersonal violence and will offer resources to any victims and survivors of such violence while taking administrative and conduct action regarding any accused individual within the jurisdiction of the institution;”<sup>2</sup> and

**Whereas**, Enough is Enough Legislation passed in 2015 for New York State states that “Every institution shall offer to all students general and specific training in domestic violence, dating violence, stalking and sexual assault prevention and shall conduct a campaign that complies with the Violence Against Women Act, 20 U.S.C. 1092(f), to educate the student population...”<sup>3</sup> On top of this, additional training must be attended by “...leaders and officers of registered or recognized student organizations...”<sup>4</sup>; and

**Whereas**, Less than 65% of leaders and officers of recognized student organizations attended this mandatory training as of the 2017-2018 academic year; and

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<sup>1</sup> Title IX [https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/tix\\_dis.html](https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/tix_dis.html)

<sup>2</sup> Enough is Enough (Article 129-b) Section 11, Part 2a, Page 18  
[https://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/sexual\\_violence/docs/regulations.pdf#page=18](https://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/sexual_violence/docs/regulations.pdf#page=18)

<sup>3</sup> Enough is Enough (Article 129-b) Section 12, Part 5, Page 19  
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<sup>4</sup> Enough is Enough (Article 129-b) Section 12, part 5, page 20  
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**Whereas,** Student athletes at ESF are not allowed to participate in their respective sport until their mandatory Title IX training is completed; and

**Whereas,** ESF is required under Enough is Enough to provide training in compliance with the Violence Against Women Act to make sure actions are being taken in an effort to ensure the safety of its students by having these trainings; and

**Whereas,** Incoming students are required to complete an online training program covering the topics of sexual harassment, interpersonal violence, healthy relationships, drugs, and alcohol entitled “Think About It.” If not completed, a hold is placed on the students account by the Division of Student Affairs preventing the student from being able to complete course registration; therefore,

**Be it resolved,** USA and the Division of Student Affairs will work to ensure that an accurate and up- to- date list of every leader and officer of recognized student organizations is maintained; and

**Be it further resolved,** If leaders and officers of Recognized Student Organizations do not attend the mandatory Title IX training USA endorses the notion that a freeze will be placed on the spending of the Recognized Student Organizations funds until the Recognized Student Organization rectifies the violation; and

**Be it Finally Resolved,** That a copy of this resolution be sent to President Quentin Wheeler; Provost and Executive Vice President Nosa Egiebor; Vice Provost and Dean for Student Affairs Anne Lombard; Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Mary Triano; Director of Student Involvement and Leadership Laura Crandall.

This bill is true and accurate copy, passed by the Association on this date, April 26th, 2018.

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Undergraduate Student Association President

