

## Act A-01-21 The University of Alabama 26<sup>th</sup> Senate 2021-2022

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## AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A REFERENDUM ON THE 2021 HOMECOMING BALLOT

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

## Section 1. Findings:

- 1. The University of Alabama strongly encourages the student body to be engaged in civic responsibilities, such as voting in national elections.
- 2. The Student Government Association unanimously passed a resolution on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, that called on The University of Alabama to deem National Election Day as a campus holiday.

- 3. Unanimous support on an SGA resolution shows full support from the legislative members of the Student Government Association, but not the student body as a whole.
- 4. In order for the Student Government Association to document the opinion of the student body in its entirety, the Student Government Association must add a referendum to an election ballot regarding the issue at question.
- 5. On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, there will be a campus-wide Homecoming election that will determine the 2021 Homecoming Queen at The University of Alabama.

## Section 2. Legislation:

- 1. *THEREFORE*, *be it resolved*, the Student Government Association shall add a referendum to the 2021 Homecoming Ballot.
- 2. **Be it further resolved**, this referendum will ask students the following question in a "yes" or "no" format: "Would you be in favor of having a day off of classes once every two years for federal election days?"

Be it further resolved, that copies of this Act be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of The University of Alabama; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice-President for Student Life; James T. Dalton, Executive Vice President and Provost; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Student Government Advisor of The University of Alabama, Tonjanita Johnson, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Christine Taylor, Vice President and Associate Provost for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Donald Elswick, Executive Director in the Director's Office; Keely Brewer, Editor-In-Chief of The Crimson White; Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; Chapman Greer, President of Faculty Senate; Madeline Martin, Vice President for External Affairs of Student Government; Amanda Allen; Vice President for Academic Affairs of Government; Alli Swan, President of Vote Everywhere UA; Nathan Yamaguchi, Chief of Staff of the Student Government; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date