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37 Executive Resolution #101

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
STUDENT UNION

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A RESOLUTION

2 **WHEREAS:** The students of colleges and universities around the
4 world exist not only as individuals, but also as a
community unified in the fight to ensure student rights;
and

6 **WHEREAS:** This month, a group of gay and lesbian students at Auburn
8 University, in Auburn, Alabama, has been denied funding
from their student governance because of "moral" grounds.
10 Though the university is funded by the state of Alabama,
the student governance has decided that it must uphold
the Bible as the overriding doctrine of student fee
funding; and

14 **WHEREAS:** The state of Alabama has decided to go further and
16 propose a bill outlawing the formation of groups of gay
and lesbian students. The governor of Alabama has vowed
to sign such legislation; and

18 **WHEREAS:** Discrimination based upon an individual's sexual
20 orientation continues to be one of the only forms of
discrimination that goes unchecked and continues to be
22 condoned. This is not only an issue that affects
people's jobs, education and daily existence but also
24 their very lives and well-being; and

26 **WHEREAS:** Any individuals who do not support the mere existence and
28 funding of peaceful groups of students, who act
consistently with the mission of all universities and the
exchange of ideas, are denying their fellow human beings'
30 basic rights; and

32 **WHEREAS:** The United States' Constitution guarantees rights to
34 peaceful assembly and free speech, both of which are
violated when peaceful groups are denied the opportunity
to meet in compliance with a university's purpose; and

36 **WHEREAS:** As long as no one is willing to grant basic civil rights
38 and protection to prevent discrimination on the basis

of sexual orientation, verbal and physical bashing, bigotry and racism will continue to be an acceptable part of our society. We, as students, united in a common cause, must take action to stop any and all forms of discrimination.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

SECTION 1: UCSU demands that groupings of students not be prohibited based upon the sexual orientation of individual members or upon topics of discussion related to sexual orientation. As well, funding and official recognition shall not be denied based solely on sexual orientation.

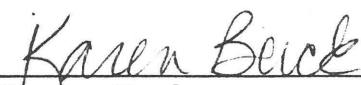
SECTION 2: UCSU strongly urges that all college and university student governances and their trustees make it so that "sexual orientation" is specifically protected in their anti-discrimination policies.

SECTION 3: UCSU strongly encourages all those who support equality for all members of their university or college communities to rally their support at all student governance and trustee meetings at their institutions until sexual orientation is specifically protected as a part of their anti-discrimination policies.

SECTION 4: This resolution takes effect upon passage.

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