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Resolution of Commitment to the Mission and Values of Western Kentucky University

Whereas: Western Kentucky University (WKU) prepares students of all backgrounds to be productive, engaged, and socially responsible citizen-leaders of a global society.

Whereas: The WKU experience occurs ... through an overarching spirit which attracts an intellectually exciting and diverse family of the nation's best students

Whereas: WKU faculty contribute to the identification and solution of key social, economic, scientific, health, and environmental problems.

Whereas WKU's core values include:

Emphasis on cooperation, teamwork, and mutual respect for individual differences.

Expectation for all conduct to be characterized by integrity, honesty, and commitment to high moral and ethical values and principles.

Dedication to the importance of achieving excellence in all programs and for adding value to the degrees and credentials of our students.

Commitment to providing a collegiate experience that prepares students to be informed, engaged, and dedicated citizens.

Commitment to contributing to improved quality of life and economic well-being of Kentuckians, especially those in our primary service area, as well as other constituents and stakeholders.

Whereas: Legislation passed during the 2025 session of the Kentucky Legislative Assembly ([e.g., HB-4](#)) may have a [chilling-negative effect-impact](#) on the realization of these values.

Be it resolved that we [strongly](#) affirm our commitment to our students and community, and that we oppose political constraints that undermine the excellence of the institution or its constituents.