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First Reading: 9/2/2025

Second Reading: 9/9/2025 – TABLED

Third Reading: 9/16/2025

Pass: YES

Bill 4-25-F. A Bill to Fund the Pumpkin Carving Contest Fundraiser benefitting Hope Harbor, Inc.

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate \$320.00 for the Pumpkin Carving Contest fundraiser benefitting Hope Harbor, Inc.

WHEREAS: The Pumpkin Carving Contest is a campus-wide fundraising event organized by the Action & Opportunity Committee, and

WHEREAS: The event will be on Thursday, October 23rd, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm on South Lawn, and

WHEREAS: A pallet of 100-150 pumpkins from Hodge Family Farms will be purchased for \$250.00 and stored in the basement of DSU until the day of the event, and

WHEREAS: A \$70.00 “Boo Basket” will serve as the contest prize to incentivize participation including a [heated weighted blanket](#), [candles](#), and assorted gifts from donors, and

WHEREAS: The event is in partnership with the Alpha Chi chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi and the Chi Eta chapter of Phi Gamma Delta. These Greek organizations have also offered to cover the price of pumpkin carving materials as well as help promote the event, and

WHEREAS: The pumpkins carved will be given the opportunity to be displayed outside of Centennial Mall the following day, Thursday, October 23rd from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, and

WHEREAS: There will be a \$10.00 entry fee to carve a pumpkin with a maximum of 2 carvers per entry. The entry fee will be paid directly to the Hope Harbor GoFundMe. A confirmation of payment will be required for registration and will be overseen by the Action & Opportunity Committee, and

WHEREAS: All proceeds from the event will be donated to Hope Harbor Inc., as a part of their fundraiser, and

WHEREAS: The panel of judges will be selected from distinguished faculty and will not participate in the event to allow for blind evaluations, and



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- WHEREAS:** This contest will provide both a fun, seasonal activity for the WKU community and meaningful support for survivors of sexual violence, and
- THEREFORE:** Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University allocate \$320.00 to fund the Pumpkin Carving Contest benefiting Hope Harbor Inc.
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