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Resolution 5-16-S Resolution to Support Vegetarian Options on the Meal Plan in the Downing Student Union Food Court

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support expanding vegetarian options on the meal plan in the DSU food court, in order to provide a larger variety of options for students who abstain from eating meat for religious, ethical, or other dietary reasons.

WHEREAS: Other locations at Western Kentucky University offer various vegetarian options but have limited hours or are not open for dinner, and

WHEREAS: Other restaurants with vegetarian options such as Fresh Foods and Burrito Bowl have limited hours, giving vegetarian students limited food options after 8:00 PM in DSU, and

WHEREAS: The Downing Student Union is a central location on campus where students eat dinner, yet offers only one vegetarian option at Papa Johns in the food court, and

WHEREAS: Students refraining from eating meat for ethical, religious, or other personal reasons are lacking in options that are available on the meal plan currently, and

WHEREAS: Increasing vegetarian options also provides healthier options in the DSU food court for those seeking a healthier lifestyle, and

WHEREAS: The Steak N’ Shake location could expand options to offer a grilled cheese on the meal plan, and

WHEREAS: The Steak N’ Shake could also offer a pairing of fruit parfait and side salad on the meal plan, and

WHEREAS: Making these changes would provide vegetarian students with more than the only current option on the meal plan in the food court.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University supports the adoption of expanding vegetarian options on meal plans in the DSU food court.

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