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To read as follows:

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association at the University of West Florida is tasked with representing students of diverse backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, great work has been done in promoting diversity and inclusion in the last few decades, so much so that UWF has won the Excellence in Diversity Award from the INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine for 4 years in a row; and

WHEREAS, “inclusivity” is one of the five core values of UWF; and

WHEREAS, UWF’s official enrollment overview shows that students identifying as non-white or of minority descent account for only 34.62% of the student body; and

WHEREAS, on average, this figure remained steady around 35% for the last 4 academic years; and

WHEREAS, this issue nevertheless requires continued support and dedication for proper growth and development

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we advocate for the President’s Council on Diversity & Inclusion to explore current practices related to recruiting students of minority descent and encourage Admissions to increase the amount of minority students admitted within the next two years.
THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the SGA Director of Diversity Initiatives work with UWF Admissions in submitting ideas for increasing minority attendance and annually invite UWF Admissions to present their recruitment strategies to SGA Senate.

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