Title: A RESOLUTION REGARDING SWIPE ACCESS FOR TRADITIONS AND KRAETTLI APARTMENT RESIDENTS

Whereas: Housing & Food describes Traditions Square and Kraettli Apartments as “on-campus apartment complexes that offer many amenities and conveniences not found off campus” (http://www.ou.edu/housingandfood/apartments.html); and,

Whereas: Housing & Food describes Traditions square apartments as “an exclusive upperclass-student apartment community dedicated to providing high-quality living while continuing the residence life experience for students” (http://www.ou.edu/housingandfood/apartments.html); and,

Whereas: Academic and social community areas are essential to the residence life experience at OU; and,

Whereas: Community areas are available to Residence Hall residents, including but not limited to the 24-hour study areas, 24-hour computer labs and printing, and Tarman Basement Social Lounge. These amenities support academics and community, both essential to the residence life experience; and,

Whereas: The current, comparable amenities for the Traditions Square Apartments are: a 24-hour workout center, clubhouse access, an on-site computer lab with printers, and a pool and hot tub. The clubhouse and computer lab hours are Sun 12:00pm-12:00am, Mon- Thurs 9:00am-12:00pm, and Fri-Sat 9:00am-1:00am. The pool and hot tub close at 10:00pm and are only open seasonally; and,

Whereas: On-campus apartment residents are not able to enter the first floor of the Residence Halls after 10:00 pm; and,

Whereas: Many on-campus apartment residents have purchased an OU meal plan to use at OU stores and restaurants, some of which are located in the first floor of Residence Halls; and,

Whereas: Each individual hall in the Residence Halls is protected by an additional card swipe lock, only accessible to residents who reside on that hall.

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1: HCSA does not believe that the current Traditions Square Apartment amenities are an appropriate substitute for the resident hall amenities. The current apartment amenities are not as accessible because of their time restrictions, and they are not as academically oriented. Changes should be made to ensure a consistent on-campus resident life experience for all on-campus residents.

Section 2: The Housing Center Student Association requests that all Traditions Square and Kraettli Apartments residents be given card swipe access to all the community areas that Residence Hall residents have access to. These areas include, but are not limited to,
• The first floor of Adams, Couch, and Walker Center
• Cate Main
• The 24 hour study areas
• The computer labs
• Tarman Basement Social Lounge

Section 3: Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the following:

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