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A concurrent resolution directing the UOSA Election Chair to refer to the members of the UOSA for their opinion on creating a travel abroad fee for undergraduate students of the University of Oklahoma; providing an effective date; and directing distribution.

Whereas: During the course of the academic year, many students have an interest in studying abroad; and,

Whereas: The cost of studying abroad keeps many students from studying abroad; and,

Whereas: President Boren provides substantial funds to aid in the ability to study abroad to many student at OU; and,

Whereas: President Boren will not always be President of the University of Oklahoma and/or be able to provide scholarships to study abroad; and,

Whereas: To help offset those costs to students for studying abroad a $2.00 fee could be created. Before a fee is created to aid students in studying abroad, the question should be submitted to the student body in the form of a poll during the fall general elections; and,

Whereas: If a resolution is passed by the Graduate Student Senate on Sunday, October 25, 2009 and then passed by the Undergraduate Student Congress on Tuesday, October 27, 2009, a poll can be approved prior to the UOSA fall general election currently scheduled for Tuesday, November 10, 2009 and Wednesday, November 11, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE AND THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONCURS THEREIN THAT:

Section 1: Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4 of the UOSA Constitution, the following question shall be put to a vote of the student body in a poll during the upcoming fall general election:

“Would the undergraduate student body of the University of Oklahoma consent to a $2.00 per semester fee for the purpose of providing an opportunity for students to study abroad?”

Section 2: The UOSA General Counsel is authorized to revise the language of the poll as necessary.
Section 3: The UOSA General Counsel shall approve the content of the supplemental materials to be included on the ballot.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
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Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: ___________________________ Date: ______

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Approved by UOSA President: ___________________________ Date: ______