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Resolution 12-14-F Resolution to Support the Adoption of the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act (URLTA) in the Bowling Green/Warren County Community

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support the adoption of the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act (URLTA) in the Bowling Green City Commission and/or the Warren County Fiscal Court as soon as possible.

WHEREAS: URLTA is a law passed in the Kentucky legislature in 1979 concerned with standardizing the legal relationship between landlords and tenants, and

WHEREAS: URLTA contains many provisions that culminate to establish an equal playing field between landlords and renters such as giving both parties explicit rights and responsibilities, and

WHEREAS: URLTA would provide students who rent with a legal channel through which to report mistreatment or wrongdoing on the part of the landlord without fear of retaliation by said landlord, and

WHEREAS: URLTA’s uniformity ensures that tenant/landlord court cases would not vary from lease to lease due to non-standardization, and

WHEREAS: URLTA requires absolutely no additional public expenditures or tax increases to implement and actually, due to a more efficient legal system, is a fiscally-conservative law, and

WHEREAS: URLTA allows communities (county or city) to voluntarily adopt its regulations individually and has been adopted in 19 communities within Kentucky, and

WHEREAS: Adopting URLTA would ensure that all of our students who live off-campus can live in safe homes.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University support the adoption of the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act (URLTA) in the Bowling Green City Commission and/or the Warren County Fiscal Court as soon as possible.

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