Increased Communication Between Housing, Facilities, and Students
Resolution 23-24-07

Whereas: A core Jesuit Value of the University of San Francisco is *Cura Personalis*, care of the whole person, which includes the physical, emotional, and financial wellbeing of students; and

Whereas: The University’s Housing Department “actively promotes timely academic progress and achievement, while partnering with students, staff and faculty to create diverse, equitable and inclusive communities where all members are valued and supported,”¹ and

Whereas: The USF Housing Department is responsible for creating a safe and comfortable housing space for all students and a “space and place to change the world from here”²; and

Whereas: The USF Facilities Department is charged with planning, operating, and maintaining USF buildings and grounds, with the mission of integrity and the values of “set[ting] the standard for customer service and support” and “work[ing] together to achieve common goals that are aligned with the University’s mission”³; and

Whereas: ASUSF, Facilities, Student Housing, and Residential Life have been engaging in active, on-going, and productive dialogue and efforts to continue to collaborate on areas impacting students; and

Whereas: Facilities and Housing have maintained consistent communication with ASUSF Senate during the Fall 2023 Semester through meetings with the General Senate, Advocacy Committee, and individual Senators, displaying their commitment to improving the quality of life in residence halls; and

Whereas: Improvements such as motion sensored lighting and new paint were added to Hayes-Healy Hall prior to the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year; and

¹ https://myusf.usfca.edu/housing/mission
² https://www.usfca.edu/life-at-usf/housing-dining/student-housing
³ https://myusf.usfca.edu/facilities
Whereas: The aforementioned improvements, as well as a remodeled kitchen, were added to Gillson Hall following the Fall 2023 semester; and

Whereas: In April 2024, Facilities added lounge chairs on the exterior of Haye-Healy Hall and Gillson Hall and intend to continue to respond to student feedback; and

Whereas: the Facilities Department consistently provides updates on their ongoing projects and intends to continue this to maintain transparency with students and faculty; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Associated Students of the University of San Francisco Senate in its role as the sole representative body of all the undergraduate students of the University of San Francisco, that the following be enacted:

Resolved: That instructions regarding mold prevention, dorm maintenance, and pest control prevention continue to be implemented into Freshmen Orientation as well as floor meetings; furthermore, be it

Resolved: That routine checks continue to be performed during the summer and winter while students do not occupy residence halls to ensure maintenance and appropriate improvements be made when deemed necessary; furthermore, be it

Resolved: That Facilities and Housing, upon request from Senate, will provide quarterly updates to be circulated to the student body; furthermore, be it

Resolved: That Housing will update the Student Housing webpage to inform students concerning previous work completed within each residential facility, updates from routine break checks, and future plans when possible; furthermore, be it

Resolved: That Gillson Hall and Haye-Healy Hall will remain the same price as all other traditional halls to support equitable pricing for student housing, ensuring that the cost of housing is not a barrier for students across different financial capacities. Traditional halls include: Gillson, Haye-Healy, Toler, Fromm, and Lone Mountain North.

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Signed by: