

**A RESOLUTION OF THE STAFF COUNCIL TO CALL FOR THE
RELOCATION OF THE CONFEDERATE STATUE IN THE LYCEUM-
CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT TO THE CONFEDERATE CEMETERY**

WHEREAS Confederate ideology directly violates the tenets of the University Creed that supports fairness, civility, and respect for the dignity of each person;

WHEREAS the University of Mississippi has a complex history in regard to slavery, injustice, and race that negatively impacts the university community;

WHEREAS the current placement of the Confederate monument undermines our mission to maintain an inclusive and safe environment;

WHEREAS 2013 Mississippi Code 55-15-81 stipulates “The governing body may move the memorial to a more suitable location...more appropriate to displaying the monument.”; AND

WHEREAS the Staff Council acts as part of the university’s shared governance model and as such, acts as a member of the governing body of the institution; AND

WHEREAS the Confederate cemetery would offer a contextually-appropriate location to house the statue that acknowledges historical characters while not inhibiting the livelihoods of the university community;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STAFF COUNCIL OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI JOINS WITH THE ASSOCIATED STUDENT
BODY AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL IN CALLING FOR THE
RELOCATION OF THE CONFEDERATE STATUE IN THE LYCEUM-CIRCLE
HISTORIC DISTRICT TO THE CONFEDERATE CEMETERY.**

RESOLVED, this day the 7th of March 2019

THE STAFF COUNCIL



Gazel Giles

President of the Staff Council of the University of Mississippi