RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CREATION OF THE COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, HOMELAND SECURITY, AND CYBERSECURITY

Whereas the Faculty Bylaws of the University at Albany state:

2.2.2. The Faculty shall be informed and given opportunity to discuss at the earliest possible stages in their formulation, and shall review and provide formal consultation on, prior to adoption, all proposals regarding:
   (a) Creation, renaming, major re-organization, or dissolution of academic units and programs; and

Whereas the administrative creation of the College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity is likely to occur on or about June 1, 2015; and

Whereas the Senate is not scheduled to meet over the summer; and

Whereas Interim Dean David Rousseau has solicited input from the Governance Council on the composition of the College’s Steering Committee and Advisory Groups; and

Whereas Provost Stellar and Interim Dean Rousseau have consistently provided updates and solicited input from the Senate Executive Committee and other University constituencies on the development of the College; and

Whereas the Senate Executive Committee endorses the administrative creation of the College; therefore

Be it resolved that the University Senate supports Resolution 1415-01R the Administrative Creation of the College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity.

Supplemental Information:

In his January 2015 State of the State address, Governor Andrew Cuomo announced that the University at Albany would be home to SUNY’s new College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland
Security, and Cybersecurity, with training programs in the New York State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC) in Oriskany, N.Y. The University at Albany was chosen for its emergency management and health preparedness training initiatives, extensive educational and research programs in homeland security and cybersecurity, and its collaborations with, and proximity to, state agencies responsible for security and preparedness.

The mission of the College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity is to provide high quality academic programs for undergraduate and graduate students, produce new knowledge through innovative research, and to provide research-based training and lifelong learning opportunities for professionals. In five years, the College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity will be the premiere academic and research-based training institution in its field with an international reputation for innovative teaching, cutting-edge training, pioneering research, and exemplary public service.

The College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity will focus on interdisciplinary teaching, training and research; experiential learning in all academic programs; accessible programming; connections with other academic institutions; integration with public, private and nonprofit organizations; and lifelong learning for individual professional development.