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**PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE**

**RESOLUTION No. FA22 – R001**



**Expanding Graduate Staff Bereavement Leave**

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**WHEREAS,** For many people, extended family and be just as close as immediate family; and

**WHEREAS,** The Purdue Graduate Staff Employment Manual allows for up to five (5) days of leave for the death of an immediate family member; up to five (5) days of leave for the death of an extended family member IF they lived in the employee's home; and

**WHEREAS,** The Purdue Graduate Staff Employment Manual only allows one (1) day of leave for the death of an extended family otherwise; and

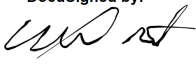
**WHEREAS,** The Purdue Office of the Dean of Students Grief Absence Policy for Students (GAPS) allows for up to five (5) days of leave for the death of an immediate family member; and up to (3) days of leave for the death of an extended family member; and

**WHEREAS,** The GAPS allows for extended leave to account for travel considerations, varying from no additional time for travel within 150 miles and up to four (4) additional days for travel outside the contiguous United States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Purdue Graduate Student Government asks Purdue Administration and the Graduate School to amend the Purdue Graduate Staff Employment Manual to match the policy recognized by the Office of the Dean of Students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that extended family may take on many forms and include friends and thus should be considered in grief absences.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2022.

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President, PGSG

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Senate Chair, PGSS

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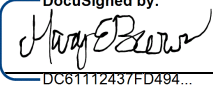
I, Mary Brown, Senate Clerk of the Purdue Graduate Student Senate, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was regularly passed and adopted by the Purdue Graduate Student Senate of Purdue University, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2022 by the following vote:

- AYES (32):** Agricultural and Biological Engineering - Mike Sserunjogi  
Agricultural Economics - Haseeb Daudzai  
Animal Sciences - Sarah Innis  
Basic Medical Sciences - Siyuan Sun  
Biochemistry - Steven McKenzie  
Biomedical Engineering - Michael Zimmerman  
Botany and Plant Pathology - Ricky Critchfield  
Civil Engineering - Agustin Quinones  
Communication - Savannah Meier  
Computer Science - Jacob White  
Curriculum and Instruction - Theodora Amuah  
Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences - Austin Blevins  
Economics - Talha Cakir  
Electrical and Computer Engineering - Somosmita Mitra  
Engineering Technology - Pragatheiswar Giri  
English - Danielle Giles  
Environmental and Ecological Engineering - Kendrick Hardaway  
Food Science - Anaël Kimble  
Forestry and Natural Resources - Ken Yao Chong  
Health Sciences - Sydney Stradtman  
Human Development and Family Studies - Amy Loviska  
Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences (IBSC) - Antonia Susnjar  
Languages and Cultures - Santiago Parra Giraldo  
Mathematics - Alexandra Cuadra  
Mechanical Engineering - Meghavin Bhatasana  
Nuclear Engineering - Stepan Ozerov  
Nutrition Science - Julia Choi  
Philosophy - Mary Brown  
Public Health - Sidney Smith  
Sociology - Reilly Kincaid  
Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences - Brooke Rodgers  
Statistics - Imon Banerjee
- NAYS (3):** Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication - Bryanna Nelson  
Industrial Engineering - Utkuhan Genc  
Materials Engineering - Daniel Sinclair

**ABSENT (6):** Aeronautics and Astronautics - Krishna Bansibhai Thakkar  
Educational Studies - Stephanie Contreras  
Hospitality and Tourism Management - Rachel Zhang  
Management - Arindam Roy Chowdhury  
Purdue University Interdisciplinary Life Sciences (PULSe) - Lauren Wilbanks  
Technology, Leadership, and Innovation - Ralph Rivera

**ABSTAINED (13):** Anthropology - Olivia Palepoi  
Biological Sciences - Morgan Chaney  
Chemical Engineering - Annie Sun  
Chemistry - Solita Wilson  
Comparative Literature - Gwénaél Jouin  
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) - Alaunie Smiley  
Ecological Sciences and Engineering (ESE) - Neha Shakelly  
Engineering Education - Barbara Fagundes  
Horticulture and Landscape Architecture - Camila Ulloa Gomez  
Industrial and Physical Pharmacy - Pradnya Prakash Bapat  
Physics and Astronomy - Shayamal Singh  
Political Science - Matthew Ellis  
Veterinary Clinical Sciences - Ojo Oluwabunmi T.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2022.

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Senate Clerk, PGSS