A Resolution Approving the Budget Proposed for the 2013 Fiscal Year by the
Departments of Residential Facilities and Resident Life

WHEREAS the Residence Hall Association (RHA) has jurisdiction over all on-campus
issues, including those pertaining to the Departments of Resident Life and Residential
Facilities, and

WHEREAS the RHA has priority influence in regards to issues within the University of
Maryland, College Park Department of Resident Life (DRL) through the Resident Life
Advisory Team (ReLATE) and the Department of Residential Facilities through the
Residential Facilities Advisory Board (ReFAB), and

WHEREAS ReLATE and ReFAB are devoted to exploring issues relating to resident
students, including fees associated with residing on campus, and

WHEREAS ReLATE and ReFAB must submit recommendations to the RHA Senate
regarding student fees proposed by the Departments of Residential Facilities and Resident
Life for approval and adoption, and

WHEREAS DRL and the Department of Residential Facilities are proposing a 3.97%
increase in room fees for every student living in a traditional residence hall of suite and a
3.97% increase in room fees for every student living in an apartment amounting to a $235
increase and $245 increase, respectively, for those students, and

WHEREAS the student fee increases proposed by DRL and the Department of Residential
Facilities will cover mandates by the State and University, reflect the market reality for the
price of utilities, and take into account net increases in employee fringe benefits, and

WHEREAS the Directors of DRL and the Department of Residential Facilities, Deborah
Grandner and Jon Dooley respectively presented a budget outline to the RHA Senate and
later met with Senators in a committee meetings with ReLATE and ReFAB, and

WHEREAS the proposed budget has been updated since that time amounting to a net
increase of $8,287, from $1,951,358 to $1,959,645, and

WHEREAS ReLATE and ReFAB have both voted unanimously in support of passage of the
proposed budget by the RHA Senate,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the RHA Senate support, as per the
recommendations of ReLATE and ReFAB, the budget proposed by DRL and the Department
of Residential Facilities.

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