

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY
RESOLUTION 18-1

*A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WIDELY UNKNOWN HISTORY OF THE 1950
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM AND THE "GAME THAT WAS NEVER PLAYED"*

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Whereas, Loyola Marymount University is committed to the encouragement of learning and the promotion of justice, recognizing the need to remain active in the conversation revolving ongoing issues surrounding race relations.

Whereas, the year of 1950 was an important time for the Civil Rights Movements and efforts to reject discrimination. While monumental national legislation and Supreme Court verdicts had not yet been achieved, Loyola University took an ethical stand against discrimination for “the game that was never played.”


Whereas, in 1950 Loyola University’s football team was invited to play against Texas Western College (TWC). Although reservations were made for lodging in Texas with special accommodations for Black players, after examination of regional policy, it was ultimately decided that player restrictions prevented Black team members from playing on the TWC field. Per team manager Red Hopkins and President of Loyola Charles S. Casassa’s decision, Loyola University forfeited the game because they ultimately disagreed with the requirement to segregate their own team.

Whereas, in addition to Hopkins and Casassa, notable participants in this historical moment also included team members Bill English and Bob Boyd, trainer Oscar Cunningham, and Coach Jordan Olivar.

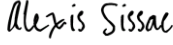
Be it resolved that, the Senate of the Associated Students of Loyola Marymount University will take a stand this 68th anniversary with all athletes and students, regardless of racial background, and commit to continuing the conversation regarding race-related issues in the athletic community, throughout the broader campus community, and across the world.

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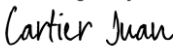
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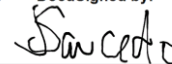
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