


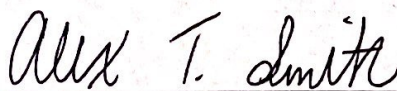
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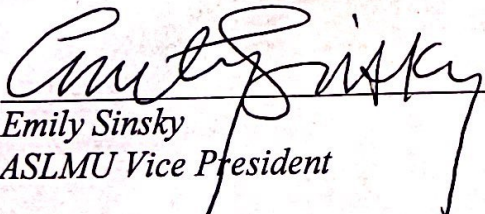
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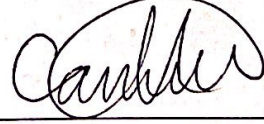
SPS and Buster Resolution

- I. Whereas, the threefold mission of Loyola Marymount University (LMU) entails the encouragement of learning, the education of the whole person, and the service of faith and the promotion of justice.
- II. Whereas, Student Psychological Services (SPS) at Loyola Marymount University provides students with free mental health resources and programming in order to ensure all students' success at this institution.
- III. Whereas, Student Psychological Services' therapy dog, Buster, has been a part of the LMU campus and community for close to 2 years and began working at SPS in February 2019.
- IV. Whereas, Student Psychological Services has assessed research on the therapeutic benefits of therapy animals to reduce pain, anxiety, depression, etc. on people with a range of health problems prior to bringing Buster onto campus.
- V. Whereas, the inspiration for incorporating a therapy dog into LMU's SPS offerings came from Ashlar, the therapy dog who has served Loyola University Chicago for the past three years.
- VI. Whereas, Buster is a hypoallergenic Golden Doodle who is under 2 years old and is still in training to get his Good Citizenship certificate and is currently training to become therapy-certified.
- VII. Whereas, the 2019-2020 ASLMU administration has promoted the mental and physical well-being of the LMU community, as demonstrated in their Menstrual Hygiene Initiative as well as their Wellness Wednesdays programming in collaboration with Student Affairs.
- VIII. Therefore, let it be resolved that ASLMU Senate, supports Buster's service for LMU as he has proven to up lift our University community and approaches his 2nd birthday on May 26.


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