

Resolution presented by the Steering Committee for consideration and disposition by the Academic Senate on Affirming the University of Chicago Report on Freedom of Expression on Campus

Whereas, freedom of expression on college campuses has become a contested national issue, and

whereas, the University Faculty Senate (UFS) on March 31, 2016 passed a resolution affirming the principles of the Chicago Statement on Freedom of Expression on Campus, and

whereas, the UFS Executive Committee has requested that all College Senates in CUNY express their support, and

whereas, Queensborough Community College has long been an advocate of academic freedom, and the Chicago Statement on Freedom of Expression on Campus is a balanced approach to the issue,

be it resolved, the Queensborough Community College Academic Senate supports the principles of the Chicago Statement on Freedom of Expression on Campus.

Rationale: It is hoped that two task forces created by Chancellor Milliken—one on expressive activities and another on civility—will take the UFS and individual College Senates' support of the Chicago Statement into account when crafting their policies.

For informational purposes: The Chicago Statement can be found here:

<http://freeexpression.uchicago.edu/sites/freeexpression.uchicago.edu/files/FOECommitteeReport.pdf>

An article about the UFS affirmation of the principles of the Chicago Statement can be found here:

<https://www.thefire.org/cuny-university-faculty-senate-affirms-principles-of-the-chicago-statement/>