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Senate Assembly Resolution to Expand the Presidential Search Committee

Whereas the University of Michigan must face ongoing and well-founded demands for racial justice;

Whereas the University administration must also face well-founded criticism concerning the long-term presence of sexual abusers in the institution's upper ranks;

Whereas the Presidential Search Committee has been charged with identifying a new president of the University of Michigan;

Whereas the Presidential Search Committee, as currently composed, is weighted toward scholars in the sciences, engineering and medicine;

Whereas no scholars of the humanities or interpretive social sciences have been appointed to serve on the Presidential Search Committee; and

Whereas the University of Michigan is home to some of the world's leading scholars engaged in the critical study of race, inequity, and oppression;

Be it resolved that the Presidential Search Committee should be expanded to include at least two additional members of the faculty. These newly-appointed members should be appointed on the basis of their expertise in the study of race, gender, injustice and/or institutional inequity, seen historically or in contemporary times.

Motion Passed: Yes 31; No 20