Resolution 08: A Letter to the NYSDOH Regarding SHP Plus

Abstract: For the last ten years the NYSDOH has supported students attending New York’s only land grant institution by providing the funding for SHP Plus, a no cost insurance plan for medicaid eligible students that has the same benefits that students are used to but has portability all over the world. The Student Assembly Executive Board, in conjunction with the office of Student Health Benefits as well as other administrators, wrote the following resolution and letter to express their disapproval about the discontinuation of this program.

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Whereas, the Student Assembly works to advocate for all students and therefore the sponsors of this resolution feel that it is important the assembly advocates for the well being and beneficial programs of all students regardless of the funding source.

Whereas, the SHP Plus plan was unlike any other student health insurance plan in the country according to the office of student health benefits and it allowed low income students additional mobility when thinking about their futures.

Whereas, the sponsors of this resolution have solicited feedback and collaboration from the Office of Student Health Benefits, the office of Student and Campus Life, and the Office of Government Relations.

Be it therefore resolved, the members who vote in affirmative of this resolution sign the attached letter to the New York State Department of Health.

Be it further resolved, the Student Assembly will solicit signatures from the greater Cornell Community in affirmation of this letter for two weeks after its passing.

Be it finally resolved, the Student Assembly will send this letter following the two week signature collection period to the NYSDOH.
Respectfully Submitted,

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