



Students' Society of McGill University
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Office of the Speakers
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Motion Regarding SSMU <3's CATZ

Whereas, cats and all other sentient beings who identify as cats are traditionally regarded as cuddly, snuggly and “totes adorbz,”

Whereas, these qualities of cats make people of all ages feel warm and fuzzy,

Whereas, the SSMU lacks a cohesive policy on animal appreciation,

Whereas, Article VI: Conclusions and Recommendations of the 16 May 2011 *Report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression* presented to the United Nations Human Right's Council states the following:

Given that the Internet has become an indispensable tool for realizing a range of human rights, combating inequality, and accelerating development and human progress, ensuring universal access to the Internet should be a priority for all States,¹

Whereas, by extension, access to cats in all forms online, included but not limited to: live-streamed cats, LOLCATZ, cat .gifs etc. should be a priority;

Resolved, that the SSMU stream “The Spice Kittens” from Foster Dad John's Livestream page (<http://new.livestream.com/accounts/398160/events/1594566>) on all SSMU monitors during the peak hours of 12-2pm while students are in the Shatner Building eating lunch;

Resolved, that in order accommodate this specifically-timed presentation, the SSMU President revise the current software that facilitates presentations on the SSMU screens accordingly;

Resolved, that the Vice-President (Internal) assure that the SSMU provide cats in addition to dogs for exam-time animals as soon as this is feasible;

Resolved, that the SSMU updates its homepage with assorted LOLCATZ from the popular website I Can Has Cheezburger? (<http://icanhas.cheezburger.com/>);

Resolved, that the Vice-President (University Affairs) lobby McGill to feature LOLCATZ on their homepage (<http://www.mcgill.ca/>) as soon as possible;

Resolved, that the Vice-President (External Affairs) lobby the Québec Government to feature LOLCATZ on their homepage (<http://www.gouv.qc.ca/portail/quebec/pgs/commun/?lang=en>) as soon as possible;

Resolved, that the Vice-President (External Affairs) lobby the Canadian Government to feature LOLCATZ on their homepage (<http://www.canada.gc.ca/home.html>) as soon as possible;

¹ http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/17session/A.HRC.17.27_en.pdf



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Resolved, that the Vice-President (External Affairs) lobby the United Nations to feature LOLCATZ on their homepage (<http://www.un.org/en/>) as soon as possible.

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