



**RESOLUTION #14-07**

**Support of the Blazer Creed**

**Date:** April 21, 2014

**Authored by:** Senator Tamelia Hall, President Pro Tempore & Sophomore Senator

Be it enacted by the Senate of Valdosta State University (VSU) here assembled, that:

**WHEREAS**, the Student Government Association, as the governing body and representatives of the student population, seeks to increase the pride, tradition, responsibility, integrity, trust, and mutual respect of the community at Valdosta State University, and

**WHEREAS**, a committee compiled by the Vice President of Student Affairs and Deans of Students in Division of Student Affairs developed a Blazer Creed that focuses on upholding the core values of civility, integrity, and citizenship, and

**WHEREAS**, the Blazer Creed aligns with the strategic goals of the university outlined in the mission of the Division of Student Affairs, University strategic plan, and the Student Code of Conduct,

**WHEREAS**, on April 21, 2014 the Blazer Creed was presented to the Student Government Association and unanimously approved by the SGA Senate, and

**WHEREAS**, the launch of the Blazer Creed is scheduled in the fall 2014 Welcome Week Convocation with the Class of 2018, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** it is recommended that the Division of Student Affairs and Blazer Creed Committee develop a branding identity and clear marketing tactics to ensure that every student of Valdosta State University is aware of the Blazer Creed and the core values expected as a Blazer and given the opportunity to sign a creed commitment, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** it is recommended that the Division of Student Affairs and Blazer Creed Committee ensure that cross campus community awareness and effective communication, including to but not limited to, the Office of Admissions (tours), the Division of Academic Affairs (faculty members), and staff (student services), of the Blazer Creed and uphold students of Valdosta State University to the standards mentioned, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this resolution displays support from Student Government Association for the adoption of the Blazer Creed, and

**FINALLY, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Student Government Association President be responsible for the distribution of this resolution as deemed appropriate upon passage and signage.

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Received:	<u>04/22/2014</u>	Yes:	<u>36</u>
Initials:	<u>NB</u>	No:	<u>0</u>
		Abstain:	<u>0</u>
Motion:	<u>Senator MICAH HOWELL</u>	Secondary Mover:	<u>Senator Candice Childs</u>
<b>APPROVED</b>	DENIED	VETOED	President's Signature: <u>[Signature]</u>

**Student Government Association  
Valdosta State University**

## Valdosta State University – Blazer Creed #2

Valdosta State University is a learning environment based on trust and mutual respect in which open dialogue, vigorous debate, and the free exchange of ideas are welcome. The University is equally dedicated to the core values of community, including a commitment to practice **civility**, **integrity**, and **citizenship**. As members of this community, and proud Blazers, we will strive to uphold these core values for the advancement of the University.

**Civility** – A **Blazer** shows *courtesy* and *compassion* as well as *respect* for the *dignity* of every human being.

**Integrity** – Each **Blazer** is *responsible* for his or her own actions, and our *community* is stronger when we contemplate the context of our decisions and uphold the principles of *trust* and *honesty*.

**Citizenship** – Every **Blazer** has an interest in the well-being of the *community*, and, therefore, a duty to stay informed, to make *positive* contributions, and to offer support to those who need help.

As a Blazer, I pledge to uphold the core principles of **Civility**, **Integrity**, and **Citizenship**.

