

General Studies Student Council

Proposed: March 4, 2003

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RESOLUTION ON ROTC

WHEREAS the Columbia community is committed to diversity in both demographics and intellectual discourse, and

WHEREAS the ROTC program would provide a new, alternative voice on campus, and

WHEREAS Columbia University's policies clearly state that any form of discrimination—be it based on religion, race, gender, and, specifically, sexual orientation—will not be tolerated in any form¹;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the General Studies Student Council will not be willing to endorse an ROTC program at Columbia University **UNTIL** openly gay members of the Columbia University community are allowed to participate in any and all aspects of the ROTC program.

¹ Columbia University's Statement of Nondiscriminatory Policies, Paragraph 8: "Currently, University policies protect against discrimination and harassment on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national and ethnic origin, age, citizenship, disability, sexual orientation, and marital status."