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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



SIMPLE RESOLUTION

NUMBER SR-2000S-1298

SR-2000S-1298 Establishes a Standing Rule Regarding the Calling of the Previous Question

WHEREAS: The Student Government Association of the University of North Florida was established to represent student concerns in all University wide matters, and;

WHEREAS: The Senate Parliamentarian is responsible for "giving advice on Parliamentary Procedure" per Title IV, Section 402.2D, and;

WHEREAS: Title II, Section 200.1 states: "The Student Government Association parliamentary authority shall be the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order," and;

WHEREAS: Title II, Section 200.3 states: "Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority only over those questions which have not been specified by general law or university regulations, or by the Constitution of the Student Government Association of the University of North Florida, Student Government Association Statutes, or Senate Policies and Procedures," and;

WHEREAS: Rule 16 of Robert's Rules of Order states that for the previous question to be called, not only must the motion be made, but "it (the motion) must be seconded, is not debatable, is not amendable, and requires a two-thirds vote," and;

WHEREAS: Some Senators have noted that this procedure requires too much time during the meeting,

THEREFORE: LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT SENATE THAT FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION TO BE CALLED AND MOVED TO THE FLOOR THAT THE MOTION MUST BE MADE AND SECONDED FROM THE FLOOR, BUT DOES NOT REQUIRE A TWO-THIRDS VOTE UNLESS THERE IS AN OBJECTION FROM THE FLOOR, THEREBY OVERRULING THE AFFECTED SECTIONS OF ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER AND ESTABLISHING THIS AS A STANDING RULE IN THE STUDENT SENATE.

FURTHER: LET IT BE RESOLVED FURTHER THAT THIS STANDING RULE BE ADDED TO SECTION K OF THE SENATE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

Respectfully submitted, Senate Parliamentarian Schemmel

Introduced by Senate Parliamentarian Schemmel

Senate Action Passed 23 - 8 - 0

Date January 28, 2000