WHEREAS, Graduate Council has determined that the designation of an Advanced Teaching Assistant for the Department of English would attract highly qualified applicants to the graduate program and provide them with teaching experience that will enhance their future employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the English Department has a well developed process to ensure pedagogical training and support of Advanced Teaching Assistants; and

WHEREAS, these assistantships limited in scope, serve a very specific purpose within the English Master’s program, and maintain the educational quality of campus courses;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Illinois at Springfield Campus Senate endorse the proposal to Create Advanced Teaching Assistantships in the English M.A. program.