WHEREAS, the University of Illinois Springfield (UIS) Student Government Association (SGA) is vested with the authority to recommend policies to benefit all members of the student body and serve as the official student voice;

WHEREAS, the Committee on External Affairs routinely meets and consults with the Associate Chancellor for Constituent Relations and Student Trustee as a resource;

WHEREAS, the committee is best suited to be chaired by the SGA External Vice-President;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the UIS Student Government bylaws, Article III, Section 7 be read:

Clause A. The Committee on External Affairs shall be responsible for obtaining information about outside relations and activities as it pertains to UIS and the campus community; this may include, but not limited to, faculty, staff, the UI Alumni Association, businesses, non-profit organizations and agencies, and Sangamon County area. The committee will also be responsible for maintaining contact with local, county, state, and federal officials on issues pertaining to higher education.

Clause B. The External Vice-President shall chair the Committee on External Affairs.

Clause C. The Committee on External Affairs shall lobby a branch/agency of the government or other officials/entities at least once in the fall semester and once in the spring semester. The issues to be lobbied will be determined by the External Vice-President, with consultation of the membership of the committee.

Clause D. Membership to the committee will be open to the student body and all students are welcome to join when the committee lobbies.

Clause E. The Associate Chancellor for Constituent Relations (non-voting) and Student Trustee shall serve as ex-officio members/UIS administrative liaisons to the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution is forwarded to SGA for consideration of this proposal and, if passed, effective immediately.