WHEREAS, the University of Illinois Springfield (UIS) Student Government Association (SGA) is vested with the authority to be the voice for the student body; and,

WHEREAS, the UIS SGA shows equal support to all of its campuses and students; and,

WHEREAS, the UIS Peoria Center and Illinois Central College (ICC) have always maintained a strong collaborative relationship with each other; and,

WHEREAS, the current location for the UIS Peoria Center is located within the ICC Downtown Peoria building known as the Perley Building; and,

WHEREAS, there has been rumored discussion by ICC of closing the Perley Building location in the Autumn of 2017; and,

WHEREAS, while the Peoria Center would have the option of remaining at its current location, if ICC were to leave this location, the ICC police officer would also no longer be stationed within this building thus leaving a low level of security at the Peoria Campus; and,

WHEREAS, the location for the Peoria Campus is in an area that does not receive a large amount of public foot traffic due to its proximity to the downtown business district where most places discontinue daily operations at 5:00; and,

WHEREAS, this would create the potential for an unsafe environment for the Peoria Center staff, students attending the campus, and the professors being asked to lecture there; and,

WHEREAS, UIS holds campus safety at the top of its priority list.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this UIS SGA recognizes and supports the urgency in developing a solution to remedy this matter before ICC has vacated its presence at the Downtown
Peoria Perley Building whether by relocating the Peoria Center or another means of providing the same level of security that the Peoria Campus deserves and is currently afforded.

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Secretary E. Hartney                                                                 President A. Mehmet