Resolution # 73-09

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA)**

**The Pennsylvania State University**

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**of the 73rd Assembly**

February 07, 2024

*Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,*

**Endorsement of $15 Minimum Wage**

**Endorsement of University-Wide $15 Minimum Wage for all Student Workers**

(Decided: [ Y / N / A ])

**Nature of the Situation:**

Being a University Student is a notoriously expensive affair. Graduate and Professional Students typically have it worse, as many of the students not only have increased workload with their classwork and other responsibilities as a part of their program, but in general tuition for post-undergraduate degrees are more expensive. Additionally, many Graduate and Professional students come to the University with families. The federal and Pennsylvanian minimum wage has remained stagnant at $7.25 since 2009, while the cost of living has increased. Federal work study has been slightly better for students, with a minimum of $14 per hour for Graduate students.

**Recommended Course of Action:**

The Graduate and Professional Student Association, as the voice of the post-undergraduate student voice at the Pennsylvania State University endorses and urges for a university-wide minimum wage of $15 per hour for all students employed within the university, regardless of position, or federal work study status.

Respectfully submitted,

**Lawrence Miller**

President

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