



1 **Sponsor:** Student Body Vice President Von Qualen, Secretary of Diversity Mackins, ARH Vice President
2 Richardson, Secretary of the Assembly Collins

3
4 *Resolution Authorizing Co-Sponsorship of Spread The Word To End The Word*
5

6 WHEREAS, the Student Government Association is the official student governing body for Illinois State
7 University;

8
9 WHEREAS, promoting diversity is a goal of the Student Government Association;

10
11 WHEREAS, Spread the Word to End the Word is an ongoing effort by Special Olympics, Best Buddies
12 and supporters to raise the consciousness of society about the dehumanizing and hurtful effects of the
13 word “retard(ed)” and encourage people to pledge to stop using the R-word;

14
15 WHEREAS, the Student Government Association will collaborate with the Association of Residence
16 Halls to bring this campaign to Illinois State University;

17
18 WHEREAS, Campus Dining will provide snack food for the event;

19
20 WHEREAS, the Association of Residence Halls will print a poster that students will sign as a pledge to
21 not use the word “retard(ed)”. All of the organizations that are co-sponsoring the event will have their
22 logo on the poster;

23
24 WHEREAS, this event will take place Thursday March 29th from 12:30-3:30pm in the Old Main room as
25 a part of the Student Government Association’s diversity week;

26
27 WHEREAS, 500 wrist bands will be purchased and distributed to students who sign their name and
28 pledge. These wrist bands will cost \$1,000 and SGA and ARH will each pay half.

29
30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Secretary of Programming Gill will write a press release to the Daily
31 Vidette. Student Body Vice President Von Qualen and Association of Residence Halls Vice President
32 Richardson will also distribute table tops to the dining centers to raise awareness for the campaign.

33
34 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Government Association authorizes the participation in
35 Spread the Word to End the Word;

36
37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Student Government Association authorizes \$500 for the co-
38 sponsorship and purchase of the wristbands;

39
40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this event is highly recommended for all SGA members;

41
42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Association members will hand out wristbands to students who
43 pledge not to use the word “retard(ed)” and sign their name on the pledge poster;

44
45
46 Adopted by the Assembly of the Student Government Association on the 29th day of February, 2011.

47
48 We hereunto set our hands in affirmation of the adoption of this resolution by the Assembly of the
49 Student Government Association:
50
51



52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60

Zach Owens, Student Body President

Andrew Larson, President of the Assembly

I hereunto set my hand in witness and certification of the adoption of this resolution by the Assembly of the Student Government Association:

Erin Collins, Secretary of the Assembly

Vote: 19Y 0A 0N