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Dr. Purcell:

As required by Section Five of Act 2019-396, I submit to you Troy University's Freedom of Speech Report for the August 1, 2023 - July 31, 2024 period. Additionally, this report will be posted on Troy University's website, as mandated.

We appreciate your continued support for Troy University and thank you for your efforts to further the educational aspirations for those who attend Alabama's educational institutions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. B. U." followed by a horizontal line.

Gibson Vance
President Pro Tempore, Board of Trustees
Troy University



Troy University
Freedom of Speech Annual Report
August 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024

- 1) The date and description of each violation of the policy adopted pursuant to this act.

Troy University had no violations of the policy during the previous year.

- 2) A description of the administrative handling and discipline relating to each violation described.

Not applicable with no violations.

- 3) A description of substantial difficulties, controversies, or successes in maintaining a posture of administrative and institutional neutrality.

There have been no difficulties or controversies. The successes include the close working relationship the students have with the administration and share with the administration any events planned and any concerns the student leadership may have with an event while respecting one's freedom of speech. There is a direct line of communication between our campus student leaders and our administration.

- 4) Any assessments, criticism, commendations, or recommendations the board of trustees sees fit to include.

The University has had several events of on campus promoting freedom of speech to include:

- **United Nations International Peace Day and Walk from the Main Quad to the International Arts Center. (included all international students and members of the general student body, members of the faculty, staff and administration also participated. This event occurred on September 21, 2023.**
- **Annual bible distribution by the Gideons. Event was held on October 11, 2023.**

- **Over the course of fall semester, we had a student organize a couple of “Save the Cats” sidewalk chalk and sign events on the campus in her opposition to the feral cats being relocated from the campus. Not a significant number of students were involved in the event and no complaints were voiced from other students regarding the event.”**

No criticisms and recommendations for these activities.