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## Student Government Resolution 112.021 A Resolution in Support of Truman at the Capitol Sponsored by Andrew Paulman External Affairs Chair

## WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and exists to represent the present and long term best interests of the Student Association in the formulation of the University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- Federal stimulus funding is being depleted, putting stress on the State budget and therefore University funding; and
- Truman at the Capitol keeps Truman State University in the mind of legislators and policy makers in Jefferson City who have authority to allocate funding for higher education; and
- A lobbying experience instills in students an understanding of the working of the State Government and the role of the University within it; and
- Truman at the Capitol has been an important tradition of activism, support and organization put on by the Student Government for the past twelve years; and
- Promotion materials such as posters are needed to generate interest in the event(300); and
- Transportation will be needed to get to Jefferson City (500); and
- Meals will need to be provided to feed student participants (600); and
- It is common lobbying practice to provide a small, promotional item to legislators who will take the time to meet with students (800); and
- In order to ensure our students look professional certain items should be supplied such as: folders, nametags, letters to legislators, contact lists, and copies of schedules (300).

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

- The Student Government should maintain a lobbying presence in Jefferson City for the purpose of advancing the interest and needs of Truman State University; and
- The Student Government of Truman State University will continue its support of Student led lobbying efforts such as Truman at the Capitol.

## THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY DIRECTS THAT,

- The Student Government of Truman State University should spend no more than \$2,500.00 USD to fund Truman at the Capitol; and
- Additional copies of this resolution are disseminated to President Troy Paino, Dean of Student Affairs Lou Ann Gilchrist, the VPAA/Provost Richard Coughlin, Director of Public Relations Heidi Templeton, and the Truman Media Network.

Passed December 4, 2011 By a Vote of 14-0-0

Ryan Nely President of the Student Association