## Student Government Resolution 092.015 A Resolution in Recognition and Support of Sodexo's Local Food Initiative

## WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and
  exists to represent the present and long term best interest of the Student Association in
  the formulation of the University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission;
  and
- Throughout the semester, Sodexo has intermittently introduced locally grown vegetables from the University Farm to the cafeterias; and
- These efforts have been well received and students have shown support for the continued incorporation of such programs; and
- The Student Senate vision document, *Arete*, states "more must be done to strengthen the bonds between Truman students and community members; and
- By providing local foods, Sodexo is taking initiative in creating a more sustainable approach to supplying the cafeterias with healthier and higher quality meals for Truman students; and
- The incorporation of locally grown foods is a collaborative effort between Truman State University and the surrounding agricultural community; and
- These efforts encourage more conscientious decision-making by students, and expand understanding of Truman State's role within, and impact upon, the larger ecosystem; and
- A collective effort to provide students with locally-grown food demonstrates Truman State University's commitment to the environment, in accordance to Principle 7 of the University Sustainability Initiative signed by President Krueger in Spring of 2009.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

• The Student Government of Truman State University recognizes the efforts of Sodexo in bringing local foods to the cafeterias, and encourage their continued dedication in providing sustainable and healthy food to our students.

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

Additional copies of this resolution are disseminated to President Darrell Krueger, Dean
of Student Affairs Lou Ann Gilchrist, Sodexo General Manager Dennis Markeson,
Assistant Director of Food Services Lora Cunningham, Department Chair of Agricultural
Science Michel Seipel, Food Service Advisory Committee, University Controller Judy
Mullins, Environmental Campus Organization, The Index, The Kirksville Socialite and
the Monitor.

Passed December 13, 2009 By a Vote of 19 – 0 – 1

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