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**Creating a SGA Committee for Student Loan Debt Forgiveness and Affordable Higher Education**  
**Resolution #6**

**Introduced by:** Senator Jacob Tuthill

**Sponsored by:** Senator Jacob Tuthill

**Written by:** Senator Jacob Tuthill, Executive Vice President Sabrina Bridglal

**WHEREAS:** Following a SGA meeting with a representative from Senator Van Hollen's Office, several SGA members expressed concerns about the sustainability and effectiveness of current student loan-debt forgiveness initiatives at the national level,

**WHEREAS:** To effectively advocate for student loan-debt forgiveness and affordable higher education on behalf of University of Baltimore students, forming an SGA committee to address this issue is pertinent in response to rising higher ed costs and rising student loan debt levels,

**WHEREAS:** These issues intrinsically affect both our undergraduate and graduate student population,

**WHEREAS:** SGA currently does not have a committee that is dedicated to pursuing efforts directly related to student loan forgiveness,

**WHEREAS:** The creation of this committee allows SGA to pursue greater efforts to advocate for federal student loan forgiveness within the state of Maryland and across the country,

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE ENACTED:**

**Section One:** The University of Baltimore Student Government Association Senate supports the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee focused on Student Loan-Debt Forgiveness and Affordable Higher Education.

**Section Two:** The Ad-Hoc Student Loan Forgiveness Committee shall be responsible for addressing the concerns of student loans and affordable higher education in the state of Maryland and throughout the country.

**Section Three:** This committee is empowered to create resolutions, host community conversations and programming that will be tailored to support student loan forgiveness and affordable higher education on campus and throughout the community.

**Section Four:** This Committee will reach out to other SGA's around the country and encourage them to also become active in this regard.

**Section Five:** Senator Jacob Tuthill will be appointed to lead this committee as chair.

**Vice President Sabrina Bridglal**

Sabrina Bridglal (signature)

**President Daniel Khoshkepazi**

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