

## Tentative SGA Bill 1-18-S

### A Bill to Move an Amended SGA Oath to the Senate By-Laws

- Whereas:** The current placement of the Oath within the Constitution is under the Executive Branch section, despite applying to all branches of SGA.
- Whereas:** The Senate By-Laws control the actions of the senators.
- Whereas:** It is the duty of the Senate to approve the appointments of Student Judicial Board members, senators, Election Commissioners, and Administrative Cabinet members.
- Whereas:** The oath of office is always recited in front of the Senate.
- Whereas:** The current Oath of Office reads: “I do solemnly affirm that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_ to the best of my ability.”
- Whereas:** The Oath is often recited *en masse*, which can lead to confusion with multiple people reciting their office titles.

### **THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 80TH CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:**

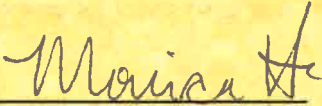
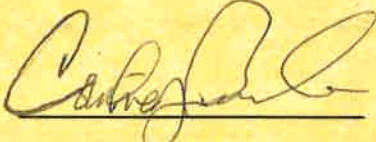

- Section 1:** Article IV, Section 9 be removed from the SGA Constitution.
- Section 2:** A new article be created in the Senate By-Laws, entitled: “**Article V, Oath of Office**”, with all subsequent articles being re-numbered accordingly.
- Section 3:** Article V will read:

“Section 1: It is the duty of the Senate to ensure that all elected and appointed SGA officials, including Executive Board members, the Executive Cabinet, Senators, Election Commissioners, Student Judicial Board members, and Freshman Council members take and subscribe to this oath: “I do solemnly affirm that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Student Government Association of Middle Tennessee State University, and I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of which I am about to enter.”

Section 2: The Oath will be administered by the Attorney General, barring his or her absence, in which the Executive Vice President will administer the Oath.”

**Section 4:** This amendment shall go into effect immediately upon favorable passage and a referendum.

**Sponsor:** *Sen. Kobe Hermann (College of Business)*

		
_____ <b>Speaker of the Senate</b>	_____ <b>SGA President</b>	_____ <b>VP of Student Affairs</b>