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Resolution 1819.01
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Whereas: President Cornwell is considering rewriting the Rollins College non-discrimination policy (last updated in 2011) to allow evangelical Christian student organizations such as Cru and InterVarsity to discriminate against LGBT+ students when electing leaders.

Whereas: The mission of Rollins College is to “[educate] students for global citizenship and responsible leadership, empowering graduates to pursue meaningful lives and productive careers,” wherein discrimination is counterintuitive.

Whereas: In a similar case involving InterVarsity at Rollins in 2013, former President Lewis Duncan and the Board of Trustees upheld the non-discrimination policy and elected to de-recognize InterVarsity for asking a student to step down from a leadership position because of their same-sex relationship.

Be it Hereby Resolved, The Student Government Association of Rollins College will:

- (1) Issue a public statement affirming the Rollins College non-discrimination policy, which reads as follows:

“Rollins College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, age, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, physical characteristics, or any other category protected by federal, state, or local law, in its educational programs and activities.”

- (2) Send a letter written by the SGA Diversity Council to President Cornwell urging him to consider the negative effect that such a change in the non-discrimination policy would have on the Rollins LGBT+ student population, using the InterVarsity case as precedent.
- (3) Include a reminder to all student organizations in the next all-campus SGA email that they are required by Rollins to uphold the non-discrimination policy as written.