



1 **Sponsor:** Student Body President Owens, Senator Gallagher

3 *Resolution Supporting the Addition of “Genetic Information” into the University’s*
4 *Nondiscrimination Policy*

6 WHEREAS, the Student Government Association is the official student governing body for Illinois State
7 University;

9 WHEREAS, it is a goal of the 2011-2012 SGA administration to work to create an open and inclusive
10 environment that promotes the acceptance and appreciation of differences;

12 WHEREAS, discrimination and harassment of individuals based on genetic information was increasingly
13 becoming an issue;

15 WHEREAS, in 2008 the federal government added genetic information to a protected class and Congress
16 passed the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA);

18 WHEREAS, GINA prohibits discrimination against employees or applicants because of genetic
19 information and strictly limits the disclosure of genetic information;

21 WHEREAS, Under GINA, it is also illegal to harass a person because of his or her genetic information;

23 WHEREAS, ISU’s current nondiscrimination and harassment policy does not address genetic
24 information;

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Assembly of the Student Government Association supports the
27 addition of “genetic information” into the university’s nondiscrimination and harassment policy;

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Secretary of the Assembly Collins shall transmit electronic copies to M.
30 Shane McCreery, the director/ethics officer of the Office of Equal Opportunity, Ethics, and Access;

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Student Government Association supports the revised discrimination
33 policy and recommends its passage in Academic Senate.

36 Adopted by the Assembly of the Student Government Association on the 2nd day of November, 2011.

38 We hereunto set our hands in affirmation of the adoption of this resolution by the Assembly of the
39 Student Government Association:

43 Zach Owens, Student Body President

44 Andrew Larson, President of the Assembly

46 I hereunto set my hand in witness and certification of the adoption of this resolution by the Assembly of
47 the Student Government Association:

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Illinois State University

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54 Erin Collins, Secretary of the Assembly
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