



## **RUSA Agenda June 25th, 2020**

**7:30pm @ WebEx [Link](#)** (password: rusa)

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Prior Meetings Minutes
4. Officer Updates
5. Legislation
  - a. Resolution to Welcome University President Jonathan Holloway
  - b. Resolution to Endorse S.E.A.'s Letter to President Holloway
6. Public Sector
7. Adjournment

*"Public notice of this meeting has been given to all undergraduate students requesting such notice. Please speak to the Secretary of the Assembly after this meeting to learn more about how you can join the email list to receive a 24 hour meeting notice and a copy of the Agenda."*



## **RUSA Resolution S20-XX**

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**Sponsors:** Executive Committee

### **Resolution to Welcome University President Jonathan Holloway**

*Whereas*, Dr. Robert Barchi, current President Emeritus of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, has his term expiring June 30th, 2020<sup>1</sup>

*Whereas*, Dr. Jonathan Holloway, who has served with distinction as a dean at Yale College and as provost of Northwestern University, working passionately to address inequality with initiatives as the Undergraduate Student Lifecycle program <sup>2</sup>

*Whereas*, this Assembly has the obligation to advocate on behalf on the student body to all levels of Administration and the Administration has a similar obligation to hear and respond to the collective student voice;

**Therefore, be it hereby resolved that the Rutgers University Student Assembly,**

- 1. Acknowledges** the work of President Barchi and the benefits it has brought;
- 2. Welcomes** President Holloway to our world-class institution and expresses excitement for this historic occasion;
- 3. Commits** ourselves to a productive relationship for the entirety of President Holloway's tenure with the both student government and University Administration working collaboratively to improve the school we hold dear.

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<sup>1</sup> [Rutgers Today: Barchi Steps Down](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Northwestern Now: Holloway Becomes President at Rutgers University](#)



## **RUSA Resolution S20 - XX**

**Author:** Javier Perez, *Chief of Staff* & Zunaira Wasim, *University Affairs Chair*

**Sponsor:** University Affairs Committee

### **Resolution to Endorse S.E.A.'s Letter to President Holloway**

**Whereas**, climate change is an existential threat to both Rutgers - New Brunswick's local area, and globally in every region of the world;

**Whereas**, Rutgers University has done substantially less than the other Big Ten Universities in regards to addressing sustainability concerns on campus and creating initiatives to lessen the impact of climate change;

**Whereas**, the Rutgers University Students for Environmental Awareness has written a letter<sup>3</sup>, in which a multitude of environmental, social justice, and cultural organizations on campus have signed onto, to the incoming Rutgers President, Dr. Jonathan Holloway, which lists three separate demands of action for the university to undertake immediately;

**Whereas**, it is imperative that Rutgers University takes administrative action as listed in the letter to protect their students and do their part in addressing the climate crisis;

**Whereas**, the Rutgers University Student Assembly has a responsibility towards advocating for the needs of all students and their well-being, especially in regards to universal sustainability issues;

**Be it hereby resolved**, the Rutgers University Student Assembly formally signs the Students for Environmental Awareness' letter to President Holloway;

**Be it hereby resolved**, the University Affairs committee of the Rutgers University Student Assembly will advocate for the listed reforms stated in the letter whilst in collaboration with other departments, committees, and non-RUSA organizations advocating for the same goals.

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<sup>3</sup> [Rutgers Sustainability Coalition Letter to President Holloway](#), provided by Mollie Passacantando