RATIONALE FOR EXECUTIVE ORDER 15-20-21
Mental Health Task Force
August 24th, 2020

On college campuses around the globe, student mental health is emerging as a significant and urgent concern. The University of Akron is not exempt from this crisis. UA students have indicated through various mediums that mental health is a top priority and concern, both separate from and because of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The Mental Health Task Force, led by Vice President Allen and Senator Kasunic, will work to identify ways that UA faculty, staff, students, and administration can better identify and help students with mental health concerns. The group will seek student input on the best methods of care, work to increase access to mental health care, raise awareness for the various student support offices on campus, and provide recommendations on how UA can improve student mental wellness. As the top priority of #ZipsHeartbeat, we bring this order before the senate with great honor and ask for its favorable consideration.

Respectfully,

Kevin A. Feezel
Student Body President

Stevie R. Allen
Student Body Vice President

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By the virtue of authority vested in me by the Constitution of the undergraduate student body of The University of Akron, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. Undergraduate Student Government will instate, effective immediately, the Mental Health Task Force, and will be confirmed upon two-thirds (2/3) vote approval of the Senate.

2. This committee shall exist until otherwise terminated by executive order, or my tenure in this office expires, as outlined in The Undergraduate Student Government Constitution.

3. The committee shall be chaired by Vice President Stevie Allen, with Senator Grace Kasunic as Vice Chair, and shall report directly to the Student Body President.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin A. Feezel
Undergraduate Student Body President
The University of Akron