



STUDENT GOVERNMENT

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Students,

Last week the Student Government Senate passed Resolution No. 6, “Supporting Wake Forest Jewish Community by Recognizing Anti-Semitism and Acts of Bigotry” to condemn acts of bigotry on our campus and nationwide. Though we are proud to support members of our community who have been subjected to unacceptable acts of hate and violence, when constructing the resolution we now realize that we failed to properly consult other students and groups who could be impacted by its language. Though this was not our intention, we recognize that the language of the resolution can be seen as conflating anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism. As a result, this language has deeply impacted some of our students. The Student Government Executive Officers team wants to clarify that this resolution was focused on condemning hate, not silencing peaceful voices and identities. As representatives of a proud liberal arts university, it is never our intention to silence free speech. We sincerely apologize for our failure and for the impact this resolution has had on members of our community. We are currently working on a new resolution which clarifies our intentions and it will be presented to the Senate once classes reconvene this January.

Sincerely,

Student Government Executive Officers