

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 180

Senator Eklund

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Black United Students at Kent State University on
its contributions to the citizens of the State of Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend Black United Students at 2
Kent State University for its exemplary civic concern and 3
admirable community initiatives; and 4

WHEREAS, Over the past five decades, all those associated 5
with Black United Students at Kent State University have directed 6
themselves toward meaningful involvement in many beneficial 7
programs and activities in pursuit of social justice for all 8
people. Its members, both past and present, have certainly 9
distinguished themselves as dynamic leaders throughout KSU and 10
beyond, and by donating countless hours of their time to meeting 11
the needs of others, they are truly deserving of high praise; and 12

WHEREAS, Black United Students at Kent State University was 13
one of the first organizations founded on campus, and it has 14
striven to better the community through the establishment of the 15
King Kennedy Community Center, which was built with money raised 16
by BUS and other student groups as a place where members could 17
tutor area youth and volunteer to help those in need. In addition, 18
Black United Students was a driving force behind the creation of 19
the Department of Pan-African Studies, the Oscar Ritchie Hall, and 20
the Social and Cultural Programming Fund, and as a result of its 21
efforts, the group was presented with the 2019 Unity Award from 22
the Division of Diversity Equity and Inclusion; and 23

WHEREAS, Without question, Black United Students at Kent 24
State University has proven itself to be an advocate for hope and 25
progress in the area. We look with optimism to a future that 26

reflects the success that has been achieved by this exemplary 27
organization; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 29
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize 30
Black United Students at Kent State University for remarkable 31
accomplishment and salute its members as fine citizens; and be it 32
further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Black United Students at 35
Kent State University. 36