

Resolution on Gender Neutral Bathrooms

Adopted on March 23rd, 2012

Whereas, many CUNY campuses, including the Graduate Center, do not currently have gender neutral bathrooms; and

Whereas, gender non-conforming and transgender members of the community are entitled to safe and comfortable use of restrooms; and

Whereas, parents accompanying their children of different genders would be also benefit from these facilities; and

Whereas, individuals requiring assistance would also benefit from these facilities; and

Whereas, gender neutral bathrooms are available at many other colleges across the country, including many of the schools in the University of California system; and

Whereas, American University, Kent State University, Ohio State University, the University of California, Santa Barbara, and Washington State University, have implemented or are in the process of implementing policies that require that all extensively renovated and newly constructed buildings include at least one gender-neutral bathroom; and

Whereas, the University of Arizona instituted this practice in compliance with their non-discrimination policy; and

Whereas, CUNY also has a non-discrimination policy that precludes discrimination on the basis of gender-identity; and

Whereas, the College of Staten Island, Hunter, and Baruch have started to create some gender neutral bathrooms; and

Whereas, the Doctoral Students' Council represents all the Graduate Center students; therefore, now be it

Resolved, CUNY bring itself into full compliance with its non-discrimination policy; and

Further Resolved, CUNY provide accessible gender neutral bathrooms at all campuses through the process of renovations of old buildings to be completed in no longer than ten years; and

Finally Resolved, any new CUNY building be required to provide accessible gender neutral bathrooms.