WHEREAS, It has been communicated that the submitted resolution is unclear and improperly formatted.

WHEREAS, The addition of citations is necessary for assertions made in the original document.

WHEREAS, “Halal” is deemed as common nouns, so it is not necessary to capitalize.

WHEREAS, further amendments are necessary to clear ambiguity and establish the clear intention of the resolution.

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the following amendments are made to S2022-R5:

WHEREAS, The University of North Texas is a university that prides itself on celebrating an inclusive culture that welcomes all faiths and religions of our diverse student body.

WHEREAS, UNT has a diverse population of students from varying religious and cultural backgrounds, many of which practice the consumption of Halal food products.

WHEREAS, UNT does not serve any halal meats for three reasons: “it is very difficult to find certified halal meats, they are very expensive, and we have not received any requests for halal meats.” (The University of North Texas Dining Services White Paper: Halal)

WHEREAS, Muslims eat to keep their bodies robust and healthy so that they can offer their knowledge in an effort to better society. Muslims are expected to make an effort to achieve the highest nutritional quality possible. In a Hadith, it is stated that Allah will reject a person's prayer if the food consumed is forbidden (haram). Muslims can only eat meat that is humanely slaughtered, so unless they know that the meat on campus has been humanely slaughtered (that is, halal) then they will not eat meat on campus, which can inhibit their capacity to function. Furthermore, in the Qur’an it is stated “So eat only of what is slaughtered in Allah’s Name if you truly believe in His revelations” (Surah Al-An'am, Ayah 118).

WHEREAS, the lack of Halal food on campus inhibits Muslims conveniently...
LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, UNT serves and caters [a proportional amount] of certified Halal food that is separately prepared to the standards of Islamic practices [standard], for inclusivity of all students’ religious beliefs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Grant Johnson  
*College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences*

Senator Alejandro Castellanos  
*College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences*

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*President - Muslim Student Association*

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Respectfully Submitted,

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In Witness thereof, I hereby certify the Student Senate of the University of North Texas Student Government Association has approved this document and is referred to the office of the President.

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**David Munoz-Sarabia**  
Speaker of the Senate  
2/23/2022  
Date