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WHEREAS, many critics state that the DEI curriculum suggests that the "system is rigged" and there is no use in even trying. DEI further teaches hopelessness to those who are not "privileged" as per the DEI beliefs, and

WHEREAS many students, faculty and staff are required to attend training and/or seminars related to DEI, and

WHEREAS the institutional purpose of these places of higher learning should be committed to the preparation of its students to help the citizenry of Louisiana where the State is dependent upon a highly qualified and well educated populace, and

WHEREAS more time and energy is now focused on biases and other politically involved activities at the expense of foundational and fundamental higher learning thereby impacting the knowledge and experience gained by the students at these universities with the potential consequence of less than optimal educated citizenry,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Louisiana, requests that the Louisiana State Legislature (House and Senate) pass bills that will call for the removal of DEI departments and/or agencies within any institution of higher learning within the State.

Done and adopted, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 15th Day of April 2023.

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1 Jay Greene and James Paul, "Diversity University: DEI Bloat in the Academy," Heritage Foundation, July 27, 2021.

2 Christopher Rumor and Ilya Shapiro, "Abolish DEI Bureaucracies and Restore Colorblind Equality in Public Universities", Manhattan Institute, January 2023.

Potential sample legislation can be found in the article cited in footnote #2 above.