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**A Resolution Urging the North Dakota Legislature to Expand
Access to Resources for Mothers and Nursing/Pregnant People
Attending NDUS Institutions.**

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Student Association (NDSA) represents the voice of North Dakota's 45,000 public college and university students; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of NDSA is to represent all students enrolled in the North Dakota University System (NDUS) and advocate on issues of higher education in support of access, affordability, quality, and the student experience; and,

WHEREAS, nursing, pregnancy, and motherhood can be barriers to receiving a college education; and,

WHEREAS, mothers and nursing/pregnant people may require special facilities or resources such as daycare services, lactation rooms, academic parental leave, etc., in order to attend college; and,

WHEREAS, pregnancy is the most common family-related reason students drop out of college; and,

WHEREAS, dropping out of college can severely limit the career prospect for mothers and nursing/pregnant people and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NDUS urges the North Dakota Legislature to expand access to resources as mentioned above for mothers and nursing/pregnant people attending NDUS institutions.

*Approved by the North Dakota Student Association General Assembly
Saturday, October 15th, 2022*