

3 **Legislative Action:**

4 Introduced by: Executive Branch

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6 1st Reading: _____

Referred To: _____

7 2nd Reading: _____

Committee Action: _____

8 3rd Reading: _____

Senate Action: _____

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10 **Executive Action:**

11 Approved Vetoed

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14 GPSA President

_____ Date

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16 Unsigned by the President on this ____ day of _____ 2015. Bill automatically becomes law.

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18 **Legislative Response:**

19 Veto override vote taken: _____

Council Action: _____

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21 Be it enacted by the Graduate and Professional Student Association at the University of New
22 Mexico that the following be amended in (*Article IV. Executive Branch*) of the GPSA Bylaws:

23 **Section II. Presidential Oath of Office**

24 A. The newly elected President shall not assume the duties of that office until the Presidential
25 Oath of Office (Oath) has been administered. The Oath should be administered after midday
26 on the last academic day of the Spring semester.

- 27 1. The Oath should be administered to the President by the Chief Justice or, in the Chief
28 Justice’s absence, the outgoing President.
- 29 2. In the event that the Chief Justice or outgoing President are unavailable to administer
30 the Oath, the outgoing Council Chair or Chief of Staff shall administer the Oath.
- 31 3. The administration of the Oath must be witnessed by a member of either the
32 Executive or Legislative branch so long as the witness is not a member of the branch
33 that is administering the Oath.
- 34 4. The Oath will be administered with the right hand uplifted and the following words
35 said aloud:
36 “I, (name), do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of
37 the Graduate and Professional Students Association of the University of New Mexico;
38 that I will to best of my ability fulfill the duties and obligations of the Office and
39 preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and Bylaws of the Graduate and
40 Professional Student Association, the State of New Mexico, and the United States.”
- 41 5. Upon affirmation of the Oath, an affidavit will be filed attesting to the authority of the
42 President. The President shall then assume office.