RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ("NJIT")
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SENATE APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF DAYS IN
BETWEEN THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES OF THE FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS AND
THE ADD/DROP DATE OF THE SAME SEMESTERS FOR THE ACADEMIC PURPOSES OF
UNDERGRADUATE NJIT STUDENT POPULATION.

WHEREAS, NJIT undergraduate students have a five business day period in between the first
day of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date.

WHEREAS, undergraduate students have brought their concern to the NJIT undergraduate
Student Senate and have requested that the Senate investigate ways of increasing the current amount of
days in between the first day of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has surveyed undergraduate students and
they have expressed dissatisfaction with the current amount of days in between the first day of classes
in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has surveyed roughly 700 undergraduate
students, and 545 students - 77.9% of those surveyed - have expressed the same concern.

WHEREAS, those students are requesting from the undergraduate Student Senate to
investigate ways of increasing the current amount of days in between the start of the semester and the
Add/Drop date.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has researched the issue and looked into
the Add/Drop policy of other schools.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has noticed that the time period in
between the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date at New York
University is significantly longer (10 business days) than the current five business days at NJIT.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has noticed that the time period in
between the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date at Harvard
University is significantly longer (8 business days) than the current five business days at NJIT.
WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has noticed that the time period in between the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date at Columbia University is significantly longer (8 business days) than the current five business days at NJIT.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has noticed that the time period in between the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date at Pennsylvania State University is significantly longer (8 business days) than the current five business days at NJIT.

WHEREAS, the NJIT undergraduate Student Senate has noticed that the time period in between the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date at Princeton University is significantly longer (8 business days) than the current five business days at NJIT.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ("NJIT") UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SENATE HEREBY: requests to increase the amount of days in between the the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semester and the Add/Drop date to NINE business days instead of the current FIVE business days time period. This extension of days shall fall on the second Friday after the start of classes in the Fall and Spring semesters.

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