



GSO Senate Resolution 23.08

A Resolution to Recognize Memorial Day

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Chair of the Senate: Daniel J. Kimmel

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Whereas, Memorial Day is nationally recognized in the United States, observed on the last Monday of May as a day of prayer for permanent peace and a day for mourning American military personnel who died while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; and,

Whereas, Memorial Day was first called "Decoration Day" because communities across America honored those who died in war by decorating their graves with flowers, and red poppies are an emblem of "keeping the faith with all who died;" and,

Whereas, the United States Congress, by Public Law 106-579, designated 3:00p.m. local time on Memorial Day as a time for all Americans to observe the National Moment of Remembrance; and,

Whereas, Syracuse is home to 5,212 veterans as of the 2020 Census and Syracuse University is proud to currently enroll more than 1,000 veteran and military-connected students; and,

Whereas, This year Syracuse University observes Memorial Day on May 29, 2023 and University offices will be closed; therefore, be it,

Resolved, that the GSO encourages all students and the Syracuse community to commemorate Memorial Day and the patriots who gave their lives in the service to America through appropriate ceremonies and activities; and be it,

Resolved, that the GSO supports Syracuse University's commemorative expressions and programs for Memorial Day; and be it,

Resolved, that the GSO includes in its calendar and share on its social media accounts Memorial Day event information of Syracuse University; and be it,

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be distributed by the GSO Interim President to: the Chancellor, the Provost, the Board of Trustees, the Dean of the Graduate School and the Dean of Students, the University Senate, the Undergraduate Student Association, the Office of Veterans and Military Affairs, the National Veterans Resource Center, and other interested entities.