

## **Resolution Condemning the Racist Cancellation of the Rutgers Apprenticeship Programs Conference**

WHEREAS the Rutgers Center for Minority Serving Institutions has been required to cancel the scheduled conference featuring Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and:

WHEREAS this is an overtly racist action that explicitly targets HBCUs;

therefore be it:

RESOLVED: The Rutgers University Senate endorses the rights of the Rutgers community to academic freedom as defined by existing Rutgers policy and statements, including the rights to peacefully speak, publish and assemble without fear of retribution, and:

RESOLVED: The Rutgers University Senate calls upon the Rutgers administration to reiterate its commitment to not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, gender, sexual orientation, caste national origin, or any other protected class, as defined for example by the 1999 NJ State Policy Prohibiting Discrimination in the Workplace, and urges the Center for Minority Serving Institutions to reschedule this conference under this or another auspices.