WHEREAS, the Council of the Vassar Student Association (“the Council”) is committed to supporting a campus environment that is diverse in its interests and the breadth of its activities; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that several incidents of hateful identity-based graffiti have occurred on campus that contribute to an environment that leaves many students feeling unsafe; and

WHEREAS, events that serve as forums for education and discussion are crucial avenues for improving our campus climate; and

WHEREAS, improving the climate of awareness and appreciation of the gravity of such incidents will help to prevent them from taking place in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council endorses the creation of a Social Consciousness Fund, a pool of money designated exclusively to sponsor events dedicated to addressing issues of gender, sexuality, race, ethnicity, religion, spirituality, and other topics related to campus climate.