University of Alaska Fairbanks

SR-FS-001 – Resolution to Faculty Senate Regards to Student Bereavement Leave

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Whereas… Many students at UAF have lost (or will lose) a primary/distant family member(s) and

[illegible] organization dedicated to supporting young adults grieving the illness or death of a loved one. AMF presents the data:

That, between 35% and 48% of college students have lost a family member or close friend within the last two years

[illegible] national performance (Sarnoff-Sisk, 2005).

[illegible] the bereavement experience. Unfortunately, an prolonged form of grief can pose severe long-term risks for psychological and physical health (Ott, 2003; Prigerson & Maciejewski [illegible]

[illegible] students. Only 10% of college students seek counseling services (Kitson & Kleiman, 1982). [illegible]

[illegible] of anxiety or depression, fewer psychosomatic and autonomic [illegible] symptoms, and decreased [illegible]

Therefore Be It Resolved that, Faculty Senate consider the following

Date

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