UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE Prefiled Resolution

RS.18.02 Resolution Opposing the Continuing Appearances of an Unapproved Chief Illiniwek at UIUC Sporting Events

Whereas the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) officially dropped its American Indian mascot, Chief Illiniwek, in 2007; and

Whereas the rules of the State Farm Center and Memorial Stadium expressly forbid protests from being held inside of the facilities; and

Whereas the appearance of a person dressed in an identical costume to that of Chief Illiniwek, who walks out during the Chief's theme music and mimics many of the Chief's movements, is clearly an **action of protest** against UIUC's decision to remove Chief Illiniwek from the court and from the playing field,

Be it resolved that we ask the Chancellor and the Athletic Director to instruct all State Farm Center and Memorial Stadium personnel **to enforce the no-protest policy** and **not allow a Chief Illiniwek character to appear** in the facilities.

Submitted and co-sponsored by the following senators:

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