A PROPOSAL FROM THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH THE HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG MISUSE PREVENTION AND RECOVERY

WHEREAS faculty, staff, and students in the College of Social Work, College of Pharmacy, and the Office of Student Life worked to establish a new center at The Ohio State University to fill a national void left by the closing, in 2012, of a federally-funded center; and

WHEREAS the Center’s mission, in partnership with the nation’s colleges and universities, is to promote student success nationally by providing data-driven solutions to alcohol and drug misuse, lead the dialogue on collegiate alcohol and drug misuse and recovery in the national agenda, and ensure the long-term sustainability and effectiveness of the Center’s efforts; and

WHEREAS the four primary functions of the Center are: education and training, research and evaluation, technical assistance, and technology development; and

WHEREAS the proposal adheres to the guidelines for centers and institutes, specifically: a clear rationale; details of administration, including a Director and Center membership; adequate resources to establish and maintain it; and evaluation criteria; and the proposal includes letters of support from within and outside the University; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed and approved by a subcommittee and then by the Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on October 21, 2015; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University Senate approve the proposal to establish The Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Drug Misuse Prevention and Recovery.