



University at Buffalo Student Association Inc.

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Resolution - 2022-2023 - 08

Subject: Emergency Resolution to Temporarily Amend the Encumbrance and Expenditure Policy

Submitted by: Becky Paul-Odionhin President, Sammi Pang Vice President, Alana Lesczynski Treasurer

Whereas the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc (SA) had a business line of credit for Amazon as a vendor and Amazon has since ended all business lines of credit.

Whereas SA has no other line of credit that can be used for Amazon purchases and the average annual usage of Amazon by the Clubs and SA for programming, activities, events, and items is approximately \$107,000.00.

Whereas SA is pursuing other avenues to be able to use Amazon as a vendor, but this process may take till the end of the 2023 Spring Semester to research, apply and implement such avenues.

Whereas there is no way for individuals to use SA's tax exempt status on individual amazon purchases that would be reimbursed.

Whereas the approved Encumbrance and Expenditure Policy states:

“SA will not pay any NYS sales tax, and in the case of a reimbursement, any NYS sales tax paid will not be reimbursed, excluding those not covered by our NYS Tax Exempt status.”

Be it Resolved, that from January 30, 2023 - May 21, 2023, the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Encumbrance and Expenditure Policy is temporarily amended as follows: the SA Treasurer may allow reimbursement of sales tax on purchases made through Amazon, subject to all other applicable rules related to expenditures.