Executive Action Sheet for Senate Legislation

☑ Senate Bill 328-001

Senate Resolution 328-

I, Anthony Joseph, President of the Student Assembly of William & Mary do hereby:

Approve

Veto

The Student Assembly Senate Legislation:

The Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee Structuring Act

DATE: July 13, 2020

Anthony Joseph
President of the 328th Student Assembly, William & Mary
328th Student Assembly,  
Senate Bill 328-001  

**The Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee Structuring Act**  

An Act of the 328th Student Assembly of the College of William and Mary,  

Sponsored by Sen. Will Wasson (Law)  


Supported by Celeste Chalkley (Secretary of Diversity Initiatives), Nicholas Agyevi-Armah, J.D. ‘21 (President of the Law School’s Student Bar Association),  

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020, the Senate of the Student Assembly passed the Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee Act that created an Ad-Hoc Committee to look into and discuss reparations on campus;  

WHEREAS, the Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee met seven times throughout the Spring Semester of the 327th Student Assembly session;  

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2020 it was pointed out that some of the structure of the Reparations Committee was problematic, specifically: the committee was not properly welcoming to newcomers; the committee does not allow community members to vote; and the committee was not representative of Black students on campus;  

WHEREAS, the Committee, hearing these concerns, decided to cease operation and to instead focus their attention internally on the structure of the Committee;  

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Committee decided that having a Chair who was representative of the groups who would be most impacted by the work of the Committee would be best for the future of the Committee;  

Now, therefore, be it  

RESOLVED, that the Student Assembly of the College of William and Mary:  

1. Formally restructures the Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee in the following ways:  
   a. The Chair of the Ad-Hoc Reparations Committee will be an Undersecretary of Multicultural Affairs, to be selected by the Secretary of Diversity Initiatives  
   b. An additional Co-Chair may be voted in by the Committee. This Co-Chair must be a member of the William & Mary community and may not be a member of the
Student Assembly. There is no time period for when this Co-Chair can be included.

c. The voting membership from the Student Assembly shall include:
   i. 1 Undersecretary of Multicultural Affairs (the Chair);
   ii. 4-7 Senators who indicate their interest to and are selected by the Undersecretary of Multicultural Affairs;
   iii. the Chair of the Senate or their proxy;
   iv. the President of the Student Assembly or their proxy;
   v. the Officer of Graduate Diversity;
   vi. the Secretary of Diversity Initiatives;

d. The voting membership of the community shall include any person who the Chair formally invites. Any voting member may nominate a person to be instituted as a voting member, the Chair may call for a vote on the acceptance of this nomination or may accept the nomination without a vote. When a new member of the community is added to the Committee, the Chair must send a formal email informing the new member of the work the Committee has done in the past. A member of the Student Assembly may not become a member in this fashion.

e. The Reparations Committee may formally recognize one or more member(s) of the Faculty to be Faculty Adviser(s). A simple majority vote of Committee members is required to recognize an Adviser.