

Whereas the prevalence of COVID-19 positivity levels in our community are causing morbidity and mortality stressing our local health care system resources,

And whereas operational constraints imposed by the University System of Georgia and Board of Regents prevent our institution from implementing an appropriate response to maintain the health and safety of our campus;

Therefore be it resolved, the University Council requests that the Chancellor, University System of Georgia, and Board of Regents immediately release local control of our campus so that the institution, with the participation of faculty and staff, may adopt appropriate and necessary mitigation measures, including but not limited to rules related to vaccinations, masking, asymptomatic and symptomatic testing, and temporary course mode and work site changes, to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 on our campus and in the broader communities of which we are a part.