## Madonna University Student Senate Resolution

# Senate Resolution: <u>F16-R-9</u> Date Adopted: <u>December 9, 2016</u>

### AUTHORED BY: President Martin SUPPORTED BY: Senator Rigato

A RESOLUTION TO: Support the victims of the Tennessee Fires.

# THE MADONNA UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE ENACTS:

WHEREAS, a major "firestorm" struck Tennessee this past week, and;

WHEREAS, many living in the area were left jobless and homeless, and;

WHEREAS, it is our duty to support those in times of struggle, both on this campus and in our community.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Madonna University Student Senate will support the victims of the Tennessee Fires by collecting the proposed items.

SENATE VOTE TOTALS: 25-0-0

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Thomas Martin PRESIDENT

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#### Policy Proposal for *"Tennessee Fire Aid"*

A RESOLUTION TO: Support the victims of the Tennessee Fires.

As you all may know, there was a major "firestorm" in Tennessee earlier this week, leaving many people homeless and jobless. There are a total of 2,460 structures either damaged or destroyed by the fires. Of this number, 2,121 were homes. The number of injuries or illnesses resulting from the fires has risen to 191. There are 14 confirmed fatalities.

Student Senate will hold a drive to collect specific items from students to donate to the victims of the fire. The drive will take place starting next week Monday and continue until Friday. All items will be dropped off at Student Life. The items will be collected and sent to American Family Care clinics in Alcoa and Knoxville, and the Christmas Place in Pigeon Forge.

The items needed are as follows: baby food, diapers, Benadryl, toiletries, socks, portable phone chargers, school supplies, and coloring books and crayons for children of the displaced families. These will go to American Family Care. Christmas Place is having a toy drive for Christmas; therefore, toys are most welcome too.

This drive is very much in keeping with the Madonna University humanistic and Christian values to help those in need. Thus, Student Senate is looking for much participation in this drive to help those who truly need it, especially so close to Christmas.

Senator of the College of Education Maria Rigato

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