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## WILLIAM & MARY RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CLOSURE OF THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GERMAN DEGREE PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, William & Mary began offering bachelor's degrees with a concentration in German prior to 1900;

**WHEREAS**, enrollment in the B.A. in German degree program has declined over the last 20 years and there is no longer a demand for this program at William & Mary;

**WHEREAS**, student enrollment in the B.A. in German degree program consistently fails to meet the program productivity standards of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV);

**WHEREAS**, the 12 remaining students majoring in German have received notification of the program's closure and assurance that they will have access to all required German Studies courses remaining in order that they might complete their degree;

**WHEREAS**, faculty teaching courses in the B.A. in German degree program contribute to the university's COLL Curriculum, electives, interdisciplinary majors, and the German Studies minor;

**WHEREAS**, no faculty positions will be lost as a result of the discontinuance of the degree program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences concurs with the need to close the B.A. in German degree program;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That upon recommendation of the President and the Provost, the William & Mary Board of Visitors approves the closure of the B.A. in German degree program.