

Resolution RE: Echoes of the Holocaust Event

WHEREAS “Echoes of the Holocaust” is an event by the SSMU club Choose Life scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th, 2009, at 6:00 PM in Leacock 232, and;

WHEREAS at the event, speaker Jose “Jojo” Ruba will discuss how “the dehumanization and denial of personhood has justified some of the greatest affronts to human dignity that the world has seen, including [abortion and] the Holocaust,” and show both graphic Holocaust and abortion imagery, and;

WHEREAS this comparison between abortion and the Holocaust insults and slanders the millions of post-abortive women who made the incredibly difficult and personal decision to have an abortion, and belittles the racist and hateful motivations of the Nazi movement and genocide of six million people, and;

WHEREAS according to the SSMU Constitution and Equity Policy, SSMU has a responsibility to “demonstrating leadership in matters of social justice,” and to “promote an anti-oppressive environment that fosters a culture of respect”, and;

WHEREAS this event violates tenets of social justice, anti-oppression, and respect, therefore;

LET IT BE RESOLVED that the SSMU officially and publically censure this event, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SSMU demand that the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning) Morton Mendelson intervene in order to cancel the event regardless of any inconvenience this will cause Jose “Jojo” Ruba or the Choose Life club, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if Choose Life so decides to continue on and have the event after its censure, Choose Life will automatically become ineligible to SSMU funding for the remainder of its existence as a SSMU club.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Co-signed:

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