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RESOLUTION NO. R.-208-005

A RESOLUTION ON ELECTORAL ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS the Harvard Law School (HLS) Student Government Constitution empowers the Student Council to “create rules to govern the administration of elections and select persons to oversee the administration of the election;”

WHEREAS the Student Government has historically coordinated with the HLS Administration to co-facilitate the voting processes for these elections;

WHEREAS the Student Government recently passed Resolution R.-208-003 calling for a referendum within 10 business days of enactment but the HLS Administration refused to administer the election within that time frame;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the HLS Student Government may continue to partner with the HLS Administration to administer elections and referenda but only under the following conditions:

1. All parties agree to host the election or referendum by any constitutional or legislative deadlines, including those set by the Student Council;
2. All parties agree to timely notification to the student body of an upcoming vote and of the voting results;
3. Student Government Co-Presidents, unless another agent is specified by the Student Council, must have access to the internal results of the vote, subject to total confidentiality regarding any personally identifiable information; and
4. The Co-Presidents or the specified agent must certify the authenticity of the voting results at the next Student Council meeting after an election or referendum has concluded;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the HLS Student Council also affirms the constitutional authority of the Student Government to administer elections and referenda independently of the HLS Administration.

This Resolution will take effect on January 16, 2025.

PASSED IN THE STUDENT COUNCIL: January 8, 2025

VOTE TOTALS:

9 YES

0 NO

1 ABSTAIN