

Resolution 22-7-R

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Title of Resolution: **Harvard Stands with the people of Iran**

WHEREAS, in Iran, hundreds of protesters have been killed in the past weeks nation-wide protests, chanting to the world “Woman, Life, Freedom”, AND

WHEREAS, students from premier Sharif University were protesting when the Iran’s Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) raided the campus and trapped hundreds of students on campus. University sources share that the IRGC "were using gases that are banned internationally...it was a war zone...there was blood everywhere."¹. More schools and universities were raided since, leading to the murder of a 15-year-old high school student as the IRGC raids expanded to high schools and universities, AND

WHEREAS, Harvard University central administration issued no public statement regarding the situation in Iran, despite numerous student requests. Universities throughout the world have expressed solidarity², including the local Massachusetts Institute of Technology.³, AND

WHEREAS, Harvard Medical School, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard Graduate School of Arts & Sciences and Harvard Law School expressed acts of solidarity with Iran since the inception of protests, **THEREFORE**

¹ “‘It was a warzone.’ Iranian security forces beat, shot and detained students of elite Tehran university, witnesses say, as crackdown escalate”. Oct. 3, 2022. <https://www.cnn.com/2022/10/03/middleeast/iran-protests-sharif-university-crackdown-intl>

² School of Foreign Service Dean Joel Hellman Issues Statement in Support of Iran Protesters <https://sfs.georgetown.edu/sfs-dean-joel-hellman-issues-statement-in-support-of-iran-protesters/>

³ “MIT history faculty members issue statement of solidarity with Iran’s Sharif University of Technology”, Oct. 19. 2022. <https://thetech.com/2022/10/19/history-faculty-iran-statement>

BE IT RESOLVED, Humanity is not limited to borders, we ask to stand with our justice and freedom loving brothers and sisters in Iran, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Harvard graduate student community stands in solidarity with the people of Iran.