

**A PROCLAMATION ON THE DECLARATION OF A FINANCIAL
EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE STUDENT VISA CRISIS**

BY THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON

A PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the urgent threat the current national student visa crisis poses to the safety, security, and academic continuity of Indiana University Bloomington students, it is imperative that we take swift action to address this evolving situation and uphold our commitment to serve and protect all members of our student body.

Whereas, the recent escalation of the national student visa crisis has now directly affected students on our campus, generating fear, confusion, and serious risk of disruption to their academic and personal lives;

Whereas, the U.S. Department of State has recently revoked the visas of several Indiana University students, aligning with a nationwide trend affecting over 600 international students across more than 100 institutions;

Whereas, the revocations have occurred without clear justification, leaving affected students vulnerable to deportation and unable to complete their academic programs;

Whereas, the abrupt nature of these visa cancellations has caused significant distress among international students, prompting protests and calls for institutional support from the university community;

Whereas, the conditions precipitating this crisis were extraordinary and could not have been reasonably foreseen at the time of the passage of the IUSG Budget Act for the current fiscal year, thereby satisfying R.B. § 4-4-11(c)(1);

Whereas, the severity and urgency of the situation require immediate financial action to provide legal and procedural support to students affected by this crisis—action that cannot be undertaken through the standard appropriation process in a timely manner, as outlined in R.B. § 4-4-11(c)(2);

Whereas, the inability of students to access proper representation and resources amid federal immigration uncertainty constitutes substantial harm to the student body, as referenced in R.B. § 4-4-11(c)(3);

Whereas, R.B. § 4-4-11(a) and (e)(2) authorize the Student Body President to declare a financial emergency and to reallocate up to \$5,000 for purposes directly related to addressing the crisis.

Now, Therefore, I, Cooper Tinsley, Student Body President of Indiana University, by virtue of the authority vested in me under R.B. § 4-4-11 of the Bylaws of the Indiana University Student Government, do hereby proclaim, a state of financial emergency in response to the ongoing national student visa crisis, effective immediately.

To mitigate the harm posed to affected students, I hereby authorize the emergency reallocation of \$5,000 to be used specifically to support subsidized legal services and immigration resources for impacted students. This allocation shall be drawn from two sources: \$3,000 from the Discretionary Fund and \$2,000 from the Emergency Expenditures Fund, pursuant to the authority granted under R.B. § 4-4-11(e)(2).

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of April, in the present year 2025, and of Indiana University Student Government the 77th.



Cooper Tinsley
Student Body President
Indiana University Student Government