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Faculty Senate

President Van de Wetering
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TO: President John E. Van de Wetering
FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on 3/27/89
(Date)

RE: I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
X II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJECT: Barnes and Nobel Action on SATANIC VERSES

Signed *[Signature]* Date Sent 4/11/89
(For the Senate)

TO: The Faculty Senate
FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering
RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
a. Accepted. Effective Date _____
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate
on _____
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the
attached explanation
II, III.
a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment:



DISTRIBUTION: Vice Presidents: *All attached list*
Others:

Distribution Date 4/17/89 Signed: *[Signature]*
(President of the College)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Barnes & Noble, which operates the College Bookstore, at first withdrew Salman Rushdie's novel The Satanic Verses from sale but then later restored it, and

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate opposes infringements on freedom of expression,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Faculty Senate approve the action of Barnes & Noble in retracting its former action and restoring The Satanic Verses for distribution, and that

The F.S.A. make it a condition of renewing Barnes & Noble contract to operate the College Bookstore that Barnes & Noble make it absolutely clear that they will not be coerced into any abridgement of freedom of expression, and that

This resolution be forwarded to the SUNY Faculty Senate and to all Faculty Senates and/or Presidents of SUNY campuses, with a request for their endorsement of this or a similar resolution, and that

This resolution be given maximum publicity by the College.