Proposal for a Battery Recycling Program on the University of Delaware’s Newark Campus

WHEREAS the University of Delaware (UD) community is in need of a battery recycling program that is intended to make battery recycling more accessible and user-friendly for students, faculty, and staff at the Newark campus of the University of Delaware; and

WHEREAS the establishment of a battery recycling program on campus would support UD’s commitment to a sustainable and green campus; and

WHEREAS the Sustainability Committee of the Graduate Student Government (GSG) has assumed the responsibility of distributing and monitoring battery collection bins in designated areas on campus; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with University Policy 7-18, Hazardous Waste Disposal, the Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) would then take responsibility of the final disposal of the batteries collected;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the GSG supports the formation of a partnership between members of the graduate student community, specifically the Sustainability Committee, and EHS—a relationship that would include in-kind volunteer support on behalf of the students along with minimal financial support from UD/EHS to purchase collection bins and printed materials used for education and outreach to support the program.