Motion to Remove Election Blackout Days

WHEREAS Telfer undergraduate students have the right to submit amendments to the Telfer Students' Association's By-Laws/Constitution for discussion at its Annual General Meeting;

WHEREAS Article 24.10.2 states "No campaigning is permitted by or on behalf of any candidate on voting days";

WHEREAS Article 24.10.2 states "Social media pages may remain active with no further material posted after the final day of campaigning";

WHEREAS the uOttawa Students' Union does not apply the Telfer Students' Association (current) rules to student elections;

WHEREAS it is better to have more students voting than less, and through allowing campaigning on election days, there will most likely be higher voter turnout;

WHEREAS the current rules can be difficult to enforce and establish a reasonable punishment for;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 24.10.2 and 24.10.3 be struck and replaced with "No candidate, volunteer or other individual may use undue pressure on voters nor directly watch people vote for their preferred candidate(s)";

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the election day(s) will now count as part of the official campaign period.