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Senate Statement of Interest  
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Dear SFU Students,

My name is **Mohammed Ali**, and I am a 5th year international student studying Kinesiology and Education. I am also currently the At-large Representative on the SFSS Board of Directors. I want to give back to the University and push for initiatives that I believe will benefit students and improve their academic experience.

- **Fall Semester Reading Break:** The mental health of every student is important to take into consideration. With the combination of both academic and social stress, a break before exam season is crucial for the wellbeing of students. Universities across Canada have adopted this break for both their Spring and Fall semesters. I believe, in order to alleviate the stress of students, a Fall reading break is necessary.

- **SFU Safety and Security:** There has been a lack from the University in ensuring students feel safe and prepared for any emergency situation. A push for an improved Safety and Security procedure at SFU is needed immediately.

- **Cap on Student Fees Increase:** Over the past few years, especially recently, international fees have increased by 20% for some faculties. This is a very concerning practice by the University. I believe that a reasonable cap on international fees should be set and followed by the University.

If you believe that these are changes that can make an impact at SFU as I do, then please vote. All your voices are important and can make a meaningful change. If elected, I will be focusing on the three former points and also issues that arise during my term on Senate.

Sincerely,

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