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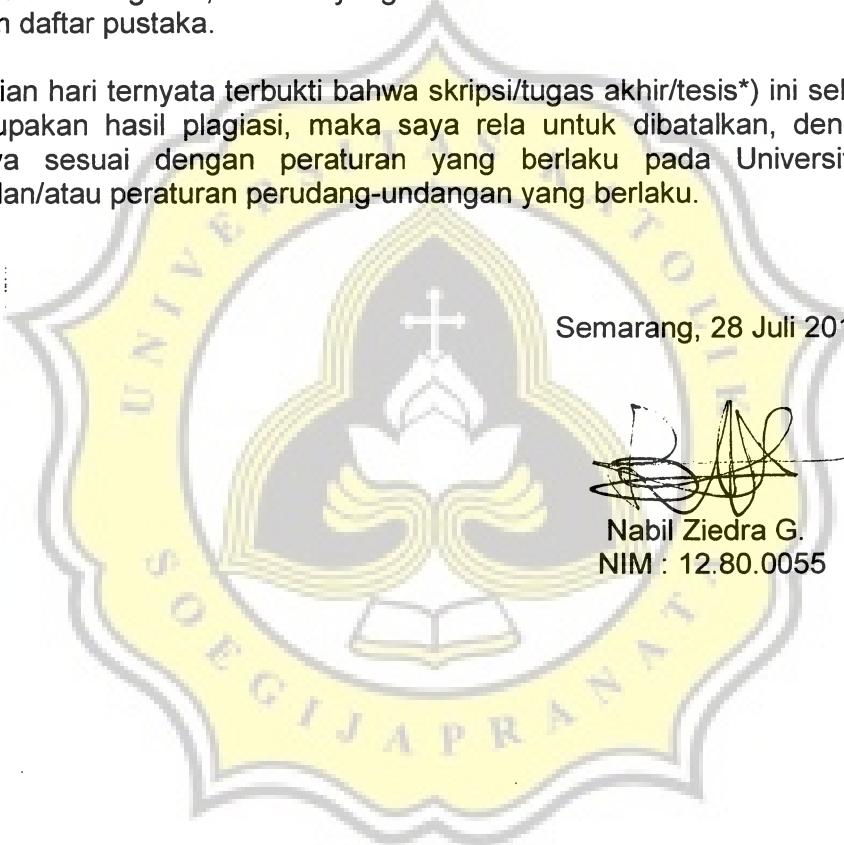
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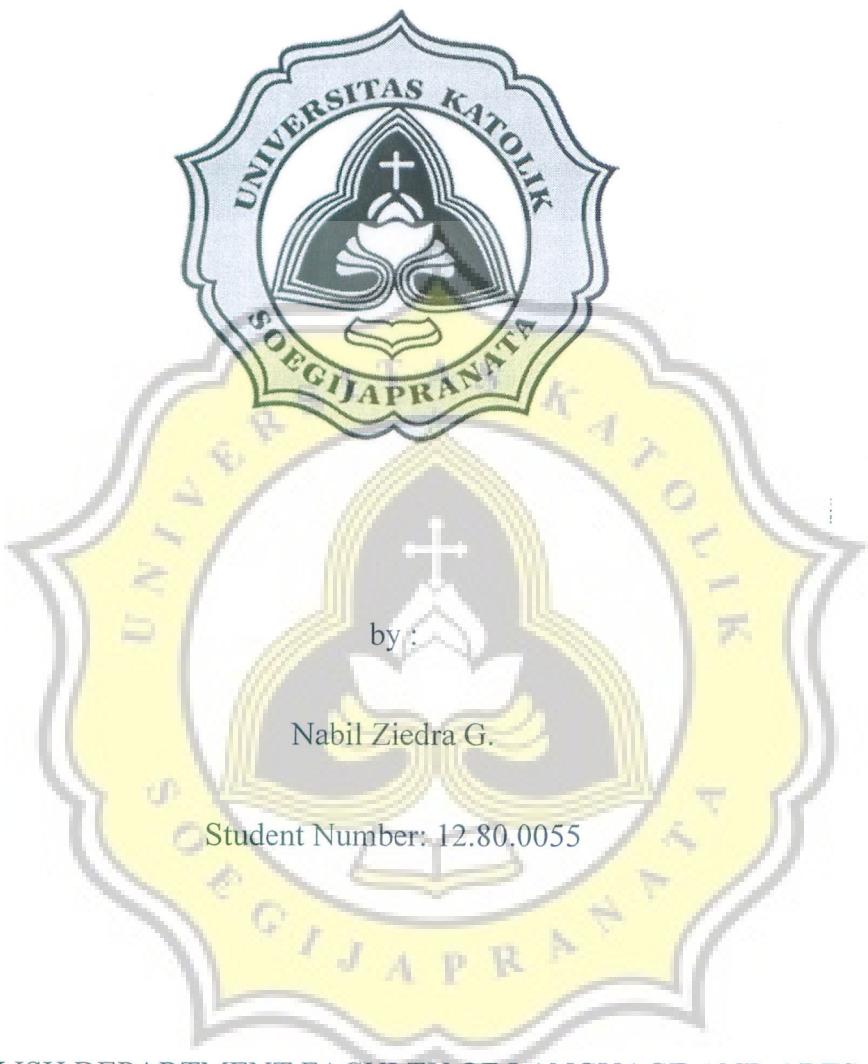
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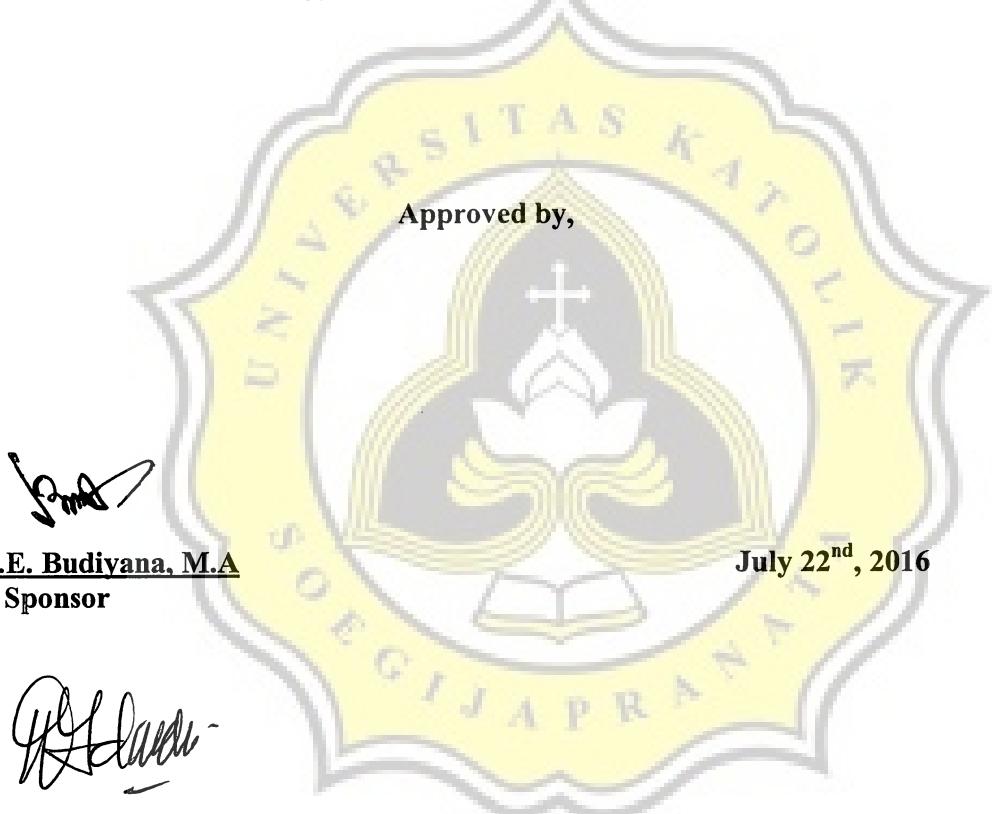


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## **ABSTRACT**

Taboo words and swearwords are two terms that seemed alike while actually they were quite different. It is known that a certain thing is better not said, not because they can not be, but because people consider not to talk about it. People may call that expression as linguistic taboo. Taboo can be assumed as the things that are avoided because that action can lead to some negative effects.

Meanwhile, swearwords were the taboo words which were used to express such an emotion. However, it did not always about bad emotion. Sometimes, the words could be used to express strong positive emotion like feeling happy or excited.

The method used in this research is the qualitative method by using private document, to determine the category of swearwords used in Facebook. Based on the data that had been gathered, the writer mostly found out that the sexual reference category was the most frequently appeared under the taboo words category. He also found out that among the other categories, insult (noun) category was the one mostly frequently appeared under the swearwords category.