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STUDENT SENATE

S12RS

SGR No. 15

BY: SENATOR WYATT

A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST THE BATON ROUGE CITY-PARISH GOVERNMENT TO EXPEDITE BIKING AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES FOR THE CITY-PARISH.

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, MANY BATON ROUGE STREETS ARE UNSAFE FOR BIKING AND WALKING TO BE SAFE AND EFFICIENT FOR LSU STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF, AND;
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, LSU STUDENTS HAVE EXPERIENCED BIKING-RELATED ACCIDENTS ON ROADS WHERE NO SAFE BIKE LANE, SEPARATE PATHWAY, OR CONNECTED ALTERNATIVE STREETS WERE AVAILABLE, AND;
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, MULTIPLE SURVEYS FROM BOTH NON-GOVERNMENTAL AND CITY ORGANIZATIONS IDENTIFY THE DESIRE FOR INCREASED AND UPGRADED BIKING AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE IN BATON ROUGE, AND;
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, LSU IS ALREADY TAKING INITIATIVE TO MAKE CAMPUS SAFER WITH THE ANTICIPATED IMPLEMENTATION OF EASY STREETS PHASE II IN SUMMER OF 2013, WHICH INCLUDES CAMPUS BIKE LANES AND DEDICATED PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS, AND;
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE CITY OF BATON ROUGE SHOULD EXPEDITE ITS COMMITMENT TO BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES TO MATCH LSU, AND;
- PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE AFOREMENTIONED OFFICES SHOULD COLLABORATE TO:
- a. ADOPT A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY FOR THE CITY-PARISH;
 - b. CREATE, FUND, AND IMPLEMENT A COMPREHENSIVE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN FOR THE CITY-PARISH;
 - c. ESTABLISH A BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR POSITION WITHIN THE CITY-PARISH GOVERNANCE WITH OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY TO ENSURE NEW FACILITIES ARE CREATED APPROPRIATELY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT STANDARDS AND BEST PRACTICES;
 - d. IMMEDIATELY BEGIN WORKING ON IMPLEMENTING A SAFE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ROUTE ROUGHLY PARALLELING PERKINS ROAD AND ANOTHER PARALLELING HIGHLAND ROAD;
- PARAGRAPH 7:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE THAT THE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPEDITE BIKING AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES IN THE CITY-PARISH.

PARAGRAPH 8: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A SUITABLE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO MAYOR KIP HOLDEN, THE BREC ADMINISTRATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE BATON ROUGE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

PARAGRAPH 9: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY (1/2) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

Aaron Caffarel
Speaker of the Senate

Cody Wells
Student Body President

Date:_____

Date:_____