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The University of Alabama
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Endorsed By: Christopher D’Esposito, Director of Transportation Services

The Commercial Rideshare Safety and Convenience Act

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

Section 1. Findings

● Student and faculty safety is a primary concern of the University of Alabama as well as the Student Government Association, and both institutions strive to maintain a safe campus environment for all students.
● Both automotive and pedestrian traffic on campus constitute a significant part of student safety concerns.
● Pedestrian accidents have increased in recent years in the State of Alabama.
● Rideshare pickup and dropoff around University residence halls can significantly increase roadway congestion and cause confusion among students and drivers alike.
● With designated pickup and dropoff locations, students would be more easily able to find their rideshare vehicle. Students would be safer in finding the vehicle through designated zones.
● Following the recent ride discounts provided to both students and patrons within a certain range on campus, having designated spots for drivers to maneuver to and from is imperative.

Section 2. Legislation

● The authors have worked with Christopher D’Esposito, Director of Transportation Services for the University of Alabama, to designate and label special Lyft commercial rideshare pickup and drop-off zones throughout campus.
● These zones will be strictly enforced for Lyft and other commercial rideshare use only. Enforcement will be managed by Transportation Services and zones will be marked with large metal signs for visibility.
● Christopher D’Esposito, Director of Transportation Services, has agreed to implement three designated zones in the Tutwiler Hall parking lot, zones in the lot between Blount hall and the
Ferguson Center parking deck, and two zones in the Presidential Village community, with more to follow following the success of the program.

- Lyft has agreed to educate drivers about the new designated zones and has agreed to work with Transportation Services to ensure the seamless rollout of this program and has had success in using designated pickup and drop-off zones outside airports and sporting venues that users select in-app.
- The University of Alabama’s Student Government Association Senate fully supports this project by providing education and outreach on the safe and convenient use of the new designated Lyft pickup and drop-off around University residence halls.

**Section 3.** Copies of this resolution will be sent to the following:
Dr. Stuart Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Price McGiffert, 2018-2019 SGA President; Clay Martinson, 2018-2019 Vice-President of Student Affairs; the Crimson White Media Group.