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# The University of Alabama 26th Student Senate 2021-2022

# Agenda for September 23, 2021 Regular Session

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Announcements
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- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
  - a. Resolution R-16-21 A RESOLUTION
    CALLING FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF
    ALABAMA TO HOLD A NARCAN
    TRAINING SESSION FOR STUDENT'S AND
    RA'S
  - b. Resolution R-17-21 A RESOLUTION FOR
    THE CREATION OF A WORKING GROUP
    TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF
    PROVIDING FREE FEMININE HYGIENE
    PRODUCTS WITHIN UNIVERSITY OF
    ALABAMA PUBLIC RESTROOMS
  - c. Resolution R-18-21 A RESOLUTION FOR AN IMPROVED LIGHTING PLAN BETWEEN COLONIAL DRIVE AND THE MAGNOLIA PARKING DECK
- V. Adjourn



#### Resolution R-16-21 The University of Alabama 26<sup>th</sup> Senate 2021-2022

Author: Senator John McLendon

**Sponsors:** Senator Taryn Geiger, Senator Mary Kate Grossmann, Senator John Dodd, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Alison Gaston, Senator Rachel Cordry, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Hallie Sara Foster, Senator Grant Haidu, Senator Andrew Bregman, Senator Sarah Beth Corona, Senator Jenna Berkower, Senator John Richardson, Senator Benner Page, Senator Hope Rider, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Secretary Grace Federico, Speaker Darius Thomas, Senator Charlie Crouse

#### **Endorsements:**

# A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA TO HOLD A NARCAN TRAINING SESSION FOR STUDENT'S AND RA'S

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

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is a premier University that strives to maintain and care for the health of the student body; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama holds responsibility for the student health; and

WHEREAS, The state of Alabama has the highest rate of opioid prescribing in the country per the CDC; and

WHEREAS, Opioid overdose deaths have increased substantially with most deaths by synthetic laced opioids; and

WHEREAS, Narcan nasal spray offers first aid to help stop the effects of an opioid overdose on the brain; and

WHEREAS, on-campus only UAPD is equipped with/knows how to use Narcan nasal spray; and

WHEREAS, Other prestigious Universities such as Auburn, Columbia, and Ohio State have provided Narcan training for their RA's and students

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama has a responsibility to provide students with the knowledge and resources to stay safe;

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that The University of Alabama Student Government Association encourages the University of Alabama to host a training event increasing the awareness of opioid overdoses and providing Narcan training to all students who desire and all employees of residential communities.

*Be it further resolved*, that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Dr. Myron Pope, Vice-President for Student Life; Dr. Ruperto Perez, Associate Vice-President for Student Health and Wellbeing; Kelly Miller, Interim Director Coordinator of Family Services Clinical Counselor; Chief John Hooks, UAPD; Dr. Steven Hood, Senior Associate Vice President; Dr. Matthew Kerch, Executive Director of Housing and Residential Communities; Angel Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor



#### Resolution R-17-21 The University of Alabama 26<sup>th</sup> Senate 2021-2022

**Authors:** Senator CJ Pearson and Senator Collier Dobbs

Sponsors: Senator Rachel Cordry, Senator Jacob Gifford, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Ruthanne Carter, Senator Luke Schroeder, Senator Hallie Foster, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Senator Andrew Bregman, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator John McClendon, Senator Charlie Crouse, Senator Cameron Doyle, Senator Grayson Shook, Senator Sarah Beth Corona, Senator Jordan Jones, Secretary Grace Federico, Speaker Darius Thomas, Senator Taryn Geiger

**Endorsements:** Jillian Fields, SGA President; Madeline Martin, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Jack Steinmetz, Vice President of Student Affairs

# A RESOLUTION FOR THE CREATION OF A WORKING GROUP TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF PROVIDING FREE FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS WITHIN UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA PUBLIC RESTROOMS

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

WHEREAS, The University Of Alabama is a premier institution of higher learning comprised of more than 31,000 students, of which approximately 56% identify as female

WHEREAS, per the Capstone Creed, The University of Alabama makes a commitment to the promotion of the ideals of equity and inclusion *WHEREAS*, The University of Alabama recognizes that access to menstrual products is a basic human right and is vital for ensuring the health, dignity, and full participation of all students at The University of Alabama.

WHEREAS, research shows that students lacking access to menstrual products experience higher rates of absences and are less able to focus and engage in the classroom. Absenteeism can lead to significant performance gaps and is linked to social disengagement, feelings of alienation, and other adverse outcomes.

*WHEREAS*, The University of Alabama has an interest in creating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment for all students.

*WHEREAS*, The provision of menstrual products in schools helps ensure The University of Alabama continues to provide equal access to education and enables students to reach their full potential, irrespective of gender.

**THEREFORE, be it resolved** that The University of Alabama Student Government Association expresses its support for the idea of offering free feminine products within University of Alabama public restrooms.

**Be it further resolved**, that the University of Alabama Student Government Association creates a working group, composed of members of both the executive and legislative branches, to further explore the feasibility of this proposal and introduction to the University of Alabama community.

*Be it further resolved*, that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. James Dalton, Executive Vice President and Provost; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice-President for Student Life; Dr. Ruperto Perez, Associate Vice President for Student Health and Wellbeing; Keely White, Editor-in Chief of The Crimson White; Angel Narvarez Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



#### Resolution R-17-21 The University of Alabama 26<sup>th</sup> Senate 2021-2022

Author: Senator Hope Rider

Sponsors: Senator Collier Dobbs, Senator CJ Pearson, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator Ruthanne Carter, Senator Jordan Jones, Senator Lauren Rouse, Senator John McLendon, Senator Izzy Talbert, Senator Luke Schroeder, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Hallie Sara Foster, Senator John Richardson, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Senator Taryn Geiger, Senator Luke Dille, Senator John Dodd, Senator Cameron Doyle, Senator Grayson Shook, Senator Lauryn Parker, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Jenna Berkower, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator Andrew Bregman, Secretary Grace Federico, Speaker Darius Thomas, Senator Charlie Crouse

**Endorsements**: John Hooks, The University of Alabama Police Department Chief of Police; Chris D'Esposito, The University of Alabama Director of Transportation Services

# A RESOLUTION FOR AN IMPROVED LIGHTING PLAN BETWEEN COLONIAL DRIVE AND THE MAGNOLIA PARKING DECK

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

WHEREAS, previously the University of Alabama has worked to maintain a safe and welcoming campus environment through the use of emergency beacons as well as extensively lit walking paths throughout the university's grounds.

WHEREAS, Harris Hall residents, members of specific Greek organizations, as well as university staff who use the route between Harris Hall and Doster Hall have experienced safety concerns when navigating this specific route at night.

*WHEREAS*, the safety and security of the UA community is of the upmost importance to both the Student Government Association as well as The University of Alabama Police Department.

*THEREFORE, be it resolved,* an improved lighting plan will be developed and implemented between Colonial Drive and The Magnolia Parking Deck. Specifically, between Harris Hall and Doster Hall.

**Be it further resolved,** that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Student Government Association Advisor; Dr. Stuart Bell, The University of Alabama President; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice President for Student Life; John Hooks, The University of Alabama Police Department Chief of Police; Chris D'Esposito, The University of Alabama Director of Transportation Services; Keely Brewer; Editor-in-Chief of *The Crimson White*