



**Resolution R-17-21
The University of Alabama
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**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 Brewer, 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.