A Resolution to Support the Creation of a Temporary Campus Core Bus Route

Kimmy Sullivan (for herself, Shamina Merchant, Hanna DePuy, Kurt Shaffer, and Zach Clark) introduced the following resolution to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

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Whereas the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University, and

Whereas the success of students on a large campus is often related to their ability to travel from one place to another in a timely manner, and

Whereas the Traffic and Transportation Management Office at The Ohio State University is devoted to serving the campus community by providing transportation and adapting to the ever-changing needs of students, staff, and faculty at The Ohio State University,¹ and

Whereas the significant number of students living and working in residence halls on West Campus (Morrill and Lincoln Towers) currently do not have a bus route that assists them in traveling to and from many destinations on campus in a timely manner, and

Whereas the current campus core-based bus routes (Campus Loop North, Campus Loop South, and North Express) traveling from the academic core to the West Campus residence halls runs through either the Agriculture Campus or the Medical Campus before returning to the West Campus residence halls,² and

Whereas the additional time taken to travel through the Agriculture Campus or the Medical Campus makes riding the bus inconvenient and time-inefficient for students living in West Campus residence halls, and

Whereas one of the goals of The Ohio State University’s proposed Comprehensive Transportation & Parking Plan (CTPP)³ is to create a phased plan of improvements to support an efficient and well-managed transportation system, and

Whereas the CTPP specifically includes plans for adding additional road segments across campus, as well as a campus core circulator system,³ and

¹ https://ttm.osu.edu/about
² https://ttm.osu.edu/sites/default/files/system_map.pdf
³ Supplemental PDF, page 6
Whereas the proposed campus core circulator system would include use of road segments that are either currently nonexistent or do not facilitate bus traffic, and

Whereas the proposed additional road segments and adjustments will likely require a significant amount of time for construction, and

Whereas students would benefit from the creation of a campus core circulator system prior to the completion of the proposed road construction;

Therefore Let it Be Resolved that the Undergraduate Student Government supports the creation of a temporary Campus Core bus route until the necessary additions and improvements are made to the campus road system for the new route to be implemented, and

Let it Further Be Resolved that the Undergraduate Student Government would like to work with the administration to determine and implement a route design that includes the use of only existing roadways.

Floor Vote: Passed

Gerard Basalla
President

Danielle Di Scala
Vice President

Date Adopted: 10/5/16
Date Terminated: __________________