## A Resolution to Reestablish Transportation for Students to The Ohio State University Airport

Senator Bernard (for himself and Ortez Littlejohn) introduced the following resolution to the Student Affairs Committee where it passed. Then, to the Steering Committee where it passed, and to the floor where it passed.

**Whereas** The Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University; and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University currently does not provide transportation to the OSU Airport; and

Whereas many students are part of OSU's aviation and aerospace programs, which require students to travel to and from the airport almost every day, depending on their program; and

Whereas over 150 students have classes, extracurriculars, and labs at the airport and must transport themselves to and from the airport<sup>1</sup>; and

Whereas there are no public transit options to the OSU Airport, effectively forcing students to own a car; and

Whereas currently the only public transportation options involve walking 20-25 minutes from the nearest bus stop to the airport; and

Whereas car ownership and parking are extremely expensive, adding to the costs these students are burdened with; and

Whereas having many individuals drive themselves in cars is far more damaging to the environment compared with public transit<sup>2</sup>; and

Whereas providing transportation to the OSU Airport would benefit students by offering a convenient, reliable, and efficient means of travel to and from the airport; and

<sup>1</sup> https://aviation.osu.edu/flight-

education#:~:text=Flight%20Education%20website%20FLY.OSU.EDU&text=Ohio%20State%20manages %20a%20fleet,all%20different%20levels%20of%20training.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://transportation.ucla.edu/blog/5-environmental-benefits-sustainable-transportation

Whereas Western Michigan University<sup>3</sup>, Bowling Green State University<sup>4</sup>, University of North Dakota<sup>5</sup>, and many other universities provide transportation services to their respective airports, enhancing accessibility and convenience for their students; and

Whereas as recently as 2015, CABS provided hourly service the OSU Airport<sup>6</sup>; and

**Therefore**, Let it Be Resolved that the Undergraduate Student Government supports the addition of a CABS On-Demand 24/7 bus stop at the OSU Airport;

Let it Further Be Resolved That the Undergraduate Student Government calls on The Ohio State University to prioritize the resuming transportation services to the OSU Airport for the benefit of the student community.

Floor Vote: Aye: 24 Nay: 0 Abstain: 4 Present: 28

Bobby McAlpine

Sarah Schmidt

President

Speaker of the 56th General Assembly

Date Adopted: March 20th, 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://wmich.edu/busing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.bgsu.edu/parking-services/shuttle-services/shuttle-routes.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://campus.und.edu/transportation/campus-shuttle.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://u.osu.edu/uofye/tag/cabs/