SGA Resolution 3-14-F

A resolution to require increased video surveillance in the parking lots of Middle Tennessee State University.

Whereas: The crime rate has increased at Middle Tennessee State University over the past

three years;

Whereas: The majority of major crimes on the campus of MTSU occur annually in the same

locations;

Whereas: Student safety is of the upmost importance at MTSU.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 77TH CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: Video surveillance cameras should be installed monitoring both the facilities with

the highest rate of major crimes, those facilities being Scarlett Commons, Womack, James E. Walker library, and the Campus Recreation center.

Section 2: Video surveillance cameras should be numerous enough to monitor the main

entrances and exits of each facility.

Section 3: Video surveillance cameras should be numerous enough to monitor the entrances

and exits to the aforementioned facility's parking lots.

Section 4: The video feed from the surveillance cameras should be stored so it can be

reviewed at a later date.

Sponsor: Senator Austin Wood

Speaker of the Senate

SGA President

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TO:

Chief Buddy Peaster

University Police Department

FROM: Debra Sells, Ed.D.

Vice President for Student Affairs and

Vice Provost for Enrollment and Academic Services

RE:

SGA Resolution 3-14-F

DATE: October 10, 2014

I am forwarding the attached Student Government Association Resolution 3-14-F requesting that the University increase video surveillance in the parking lots on campus.

Resolutions passed by the Student Government Association are generally understood to be recommendations. Legislation resulting in these resolutions is brought before the SGA by one or more members of the Senate, and is generally subject to debate within the senate. Senate meetings are open to the full student body, and thus debates are sometimes observed by and/or joined by students other than SGA senators. Resolutions are not binding upon administrators or departments, but are generally regarded as expressing the will of the Senate on the issue brought before them.

Once a resolution has been passed by the Senate, I forward that resolution to the administrator or department most likely to benefit from reviewing the student recommendation, and in the best position to provide a response regarding possible future action. I generally ask the administrator to whom I have forwarded the resolution for some timely response that helps SGA to understand the potential feasibility of the proposal. If, in your opinion, the resolution requests action which is not feasible, I ask for your help in explaining why it is not practical, affordable, or otherwise in the best interest of the university.

In the immediate instance, I believe it would be appropriate for you to review the SGA's recommendation and provide such a response to me within 30 days. Please contact Andrew George, SGA President, or Dr. Danny Kelley if you have any questions regarding this legislation.

Mr. Andrew George Ms. Haley Cobb V Ms. Chelsea Jones c:

Ms. Gabby Woodland Dr. Danny Kelley