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A RESOLUTION

To Urge and Request that the Tiger Athletic Foundation and LSU Athletics to Enforce the American Disabilities Act by Reapportioning Handicapped Parking Spots and Alternative Transit Routes on LSU Football Game Days.

Paragraph 1: Whereas, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in employment, transportation, public accommodation, communications and governmental activities; and

Paragraph 2: Whereas, the LSU Office of Disability Services strives to provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services to students with disabilities to ensure they receive full participation in all activities, programs and services at the university; and

Paragraph 3: Whereas, LSU game days are an integral part of the student experience at the university; and

Paragraph 4: Whereas, the LSU Commitment to Community states that members of the LSU community must practice justice, equality, and compassion in human relations and respect the dignity of all persons and accept individual differences; and

Paragraph 5: Whereas, Section 12101 of the ADA finds that physical or mental disabilities should not diminish a person’s right to fully participate in all aspects of society; and

Paragraph 6: Whereas, the ADA Parking Design Guide requires accessible parking spaces to be located on the shortest accessible route of travel to an accessible facility entrance to all public buildings; and

Paragraph 7: Whereas, LSU Football, LSU Athletics and Tiger Athletic Foundation currently allocate parking to persons with disabilities on LSU Game Days in only one designated parking lot; and

Paragraph 8: Whereas, this inhibits the game day experience for fans with disabilities by making other areas of campus other than the fixed transit route to and from the stadium inaccessible; and
PARAGRAPH 9: Whereas, other transit options should be considered for fans with disabilities on LSU Game Days.

PARAGRAPH 10: Therefore, be it resolved by the Louisiana State University Student Senate to urge and request that the Tiger Athletic Foundation and LSU Athletics to reevaluate their interpretation of the American Disabilities Act by considering reapportioning handicapped parking spots and alternative transit routes on LSU Football game days.

PARAGRAPH 11: Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Stacia Moses, Program Specialist for the LSU Office of Disability Services, Jamie Graham, Director of Ticketing and Parking for Tiger Athletic Foundation, John Ross Maher, Coordinator of Game/Event Management-Parking Operations for LSU Athletics, and Jeff Campbell, Director for the LSU Office of Parking and Transportation.

PARAGRAPH 12: This resolution shall take effect upon passage by a simple majority (one-half plus one) vote of the LSU Student Senate and signature by the President, upon lapse of time for presidential action, or if vetoed by the President and subsequently approved by the Senate, on the date of such approval.

APPROVED:

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ADAM GRASHOFF               ANDREW MAHTOOK
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE        STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:____________________  DATE:____________________