



Resolution 001 – FS 2009

Parking Policy Equality

PURPOSE: To urge the University to amend its parking policy so that the disparity in convenience to students with campus parking permits is reflected in cost and procedure.

WHEREAS, as is stands, the parking policy of the university during home football games favors the interests of fans and tailgaters over those of its permit holders; and

WHEREAS, students currently parking in lots WG1, SG4, SG5, SG7, SG9, RP10, CG1, Maryland Avenue Garage and Garage #7 are inconvenienced with moving their vehicles every home game; and

WHEREAS, additionally, these lots are quite distant, as well as several others which are already quite distant; and

WHEREAS, campus parking permits for more central locations and locations where vehicles do not need to be moved are the same price; and

WHEREAS, little leniency is shown to students who fail to move their vehicles, as “towing will commence anytime after midnight” on the morning of home football games at the student’s expense; and

WHEREAS, in addition to towing, multiple tickets can be administered without the student’s knowledge, especially given that many of these lots are far from residence halls; and

WHEREAS, alternative parking for students on game day is often quite distant and very inconvenient; and

WHEREAS, additionally, these alternative parking locations are ambiguously defined and can be particularly confusing for freshman; and

WHEREAS, it should not be the case that students are forced to compete with those who are neither affiliated with the university nor pay for parking permits; and

WHEREAS, following home football games the permit holders are again unfairly subject to ticketing; and

WHEREAS, there is a clear inequality in the level of convenience made available to students by the university in its parking policy; and

WHEREAS, if the university insists upon providing parking for tailgaters and fans, it should not disregard the interests of the residents who live and learn on campus every day.

THEREFORE, in the opinion of the students of the Residence Halls of the University of Missouri, the University Department of Parking and Transportation should adjust the prices of permits for lots WG1, SG4, SG5, SG7, SG9, RP10, CG1, Maryland Avenue Garage and Garage #7 to reflect the inconveniences that the distance from central campus and the stipulation that vehicles be moved before and after home football games.

FURTHERMORE, if the University of Missouri Department of Parking and Transportation insists upon requiring students' vehicles to be moved, it should pursue a more lenient policy with regard to ticketing that is consequent to this policy.

Respectfully Submitted,

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