



**The University of Alabama
24th Student Senate 2019 - 2020
Agenda for September 19, 2019
Regular Session**

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Chief Justice

Kathryn Hayes

Speaker of the Senate

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Announcements
- III. Old Business
 - a. Act A-09-19: **AN ACT TO RATIFY THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR**
- IV. New Business
 - a. Resolution R-43-19: **A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ADDITION OF CROSSWALKS ON CAMPUS**
 - b. Resolution R-44-19: **A RESOLUTION RECOGNISING THE HONORABLE SACRIFICE OF OFFICER DORNELL COUSETTE**
 - c. Resolution R-45-19: **A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ACADEMIC FREEDOM FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF**
 - d. Resolution R-46-19: **A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE CAPSTONE CREED AND THE SGA MISSION STATEMENT TO BE RECITED AT ALL SENATE SESSIONS**
 - e. Resolution R-47-19: **A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ADDITION OF A GOOGLE FORM FOR SUGGESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS ON CAMPUS**
 - f. Act A-11-19: **AN ACT TO CREATE DISPLAY SIGNS WITH CAMPUS SAFETY RESOURCES IN THE FERGUSON STUDENT CENTER**
- V. Adjourn



ACT A-09-19
The University of Alabama
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Authored by: Vice President for Financial Affairs Hunter Scott

Sponsored by: Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Sam Rickert, Senator Jamison Hanley, Senator Ford Mazingo, Senator Jillian Fields, Senator Kaelyn Embler, Senator Olivia Davis, Senator Erin Jolley

Endorsed by: Treasurer Emma Thomas, Director for Financial Transparency Morgan Russell

AN ACT TO RATIFY THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Senate has the responsibility of adopting a budget to ensure the efficient operation of the Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, the Senate is mandated by the Constitution to adopt a budget before the beginning of the fiscal year on October 1, 2019; and

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED THAT, The Senate approves the following budget items for the 2020 Fiscal Year as adopted by the Senate Committee on Finance:

1. Executive Vice President is allocated \$3,000
2. Academic Affairs is allocated \$2,300
3. External Affairs is allocated \$2,300
4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is allocated \$2,300
5. Student Affairs is allocated \$2,300

6. Financial Affairs is allocated \$500
7. Awards is allocated \$8,200
8. Better Relations Day is allocated \$2,500
9. SGA Fundraising is allocated \$1,000
10. Communications and Phones are allocated \$5,500
11. Elections is allocated \$12,100
12. Homecoming is allocated \$35,000
13. Legal Clinic Support is allocated \$20,000
14. Senate is allocated \$2,000
15. First Year Council is allocated \$1,000
16. Undergraduate Research and Travel Fund is allocated \$2,000
17. Graduate Research and Travel Fund is allocated \$30,000
18. Student Judicial is allocated \$2,000
19. FAC Expenses is allocated \$1,000
20. SGA Office Technology is allocated \$3,300

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT, The Senate allocates \$53,700 to the Executive General Fund as part of the Executive Operating Budget.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT, The Senate allocates \$1,500 to the Director of Programming and Advancement sub-account within the Executive Operating Budget with the activity code SGPADV.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT, The Senate allocates \$1,500 to the Director of Engagement sub-account within the Executive Operating Budget under the activity code SGENGA.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT, The Senate allocates \$200,000 to the Financial Affairs Committee (FAC) for reimbursement of student organization expenditures.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT, Copies of this act be sent to the following: Kendra Powell, Assistant Director of Business Services all members of the SGA whose positions are to receive an amended emolument via this Act; Sherry Phillips, FAC Advisor; all members of the Executive Council; and The Crimson White for informational purposes.



Resolution R-43-19
The University of Alabama
24th Senate 2019-2020

Authors: Senator Olivia Davis, Senator Joel Rittenberg

Sponsors: Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Matteo Taraborrelli, Senator Ellie Schulman, Senator Kaelyn Embler, Senator Erin Jolley

Endorsements: Vice President for Student Affairs Jason Rothfarb, Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Demarcus Joiner, Student Affairs Director of Health and Safety Mason Aldridge, Chief Advisor to the President Caitlyn McTier, Implementation Officer Andrew Conquest

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ADDITION OF CROSSWALKS ON
CAMPUS**

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is a flagship university in research, innovation, and safety; and

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama Transportation and Parking services continually improve the quality of commuting on campus; and

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama currently has a shortage of crosswalk in heavily traversed areas of campus¹; and

WHEREAS, students traversing from the Riverside Annex to 7th Avenue and students traveling along 4th Street lack crosswalks at certain points; and

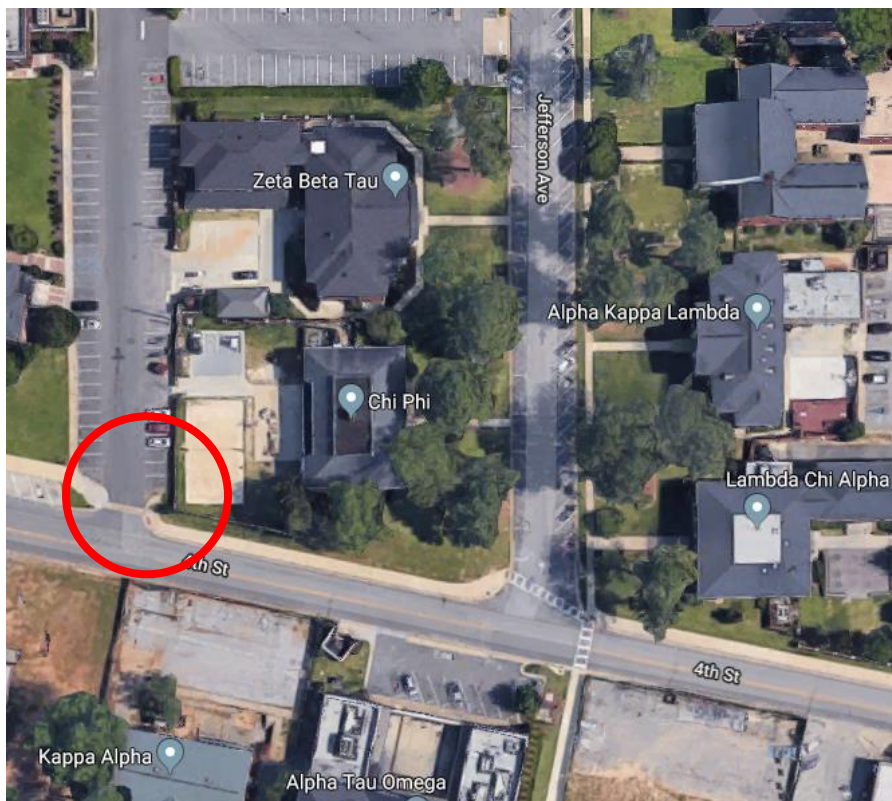
¹ Please refer to the campus map below

WHEREAS, this shortage can impose dangers to students crossing the street where there are no crosswalks present; now,

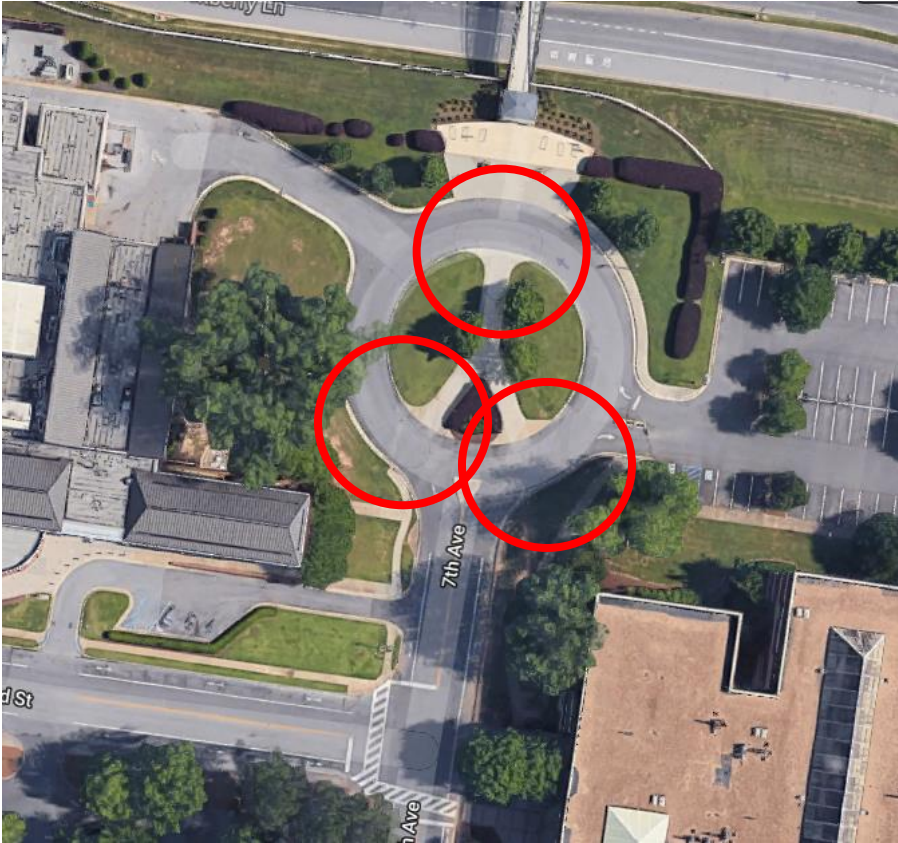
THEREFORE, be it *RESOLVED*, that The University of Alabama Student Government Association calls for the opening of an investigation into the addition of crosswalks across campus.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to: Vice President for Student Affairs, Jason Rothfarb; The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor, Stephanie Shamblin; Director of Transportation Services, Chris D'Esposito; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.

4th Street



7th Avenue





Resolution R-44-19
The University of Alabama
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Authored By: Senator Gage Pillsbury, Secretary Leslie Young

Sponsored By: Senator Ford Mozingo, Senator Matteo Taraborrelli, Senator Daniel Perkins, Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator William Schramm, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Isabella DeSheplo, Senator Olivia Davis, Senator Erin Jolley, Senator Margaret Shelton

Endorsements: Vice President for External Affairs Brooks Payne, Vice President for Student Affairs Jason Rothfarb

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNISING THE HONORABLE SACRIFICE OF
OFFICER DORNELL COUSETTE**

*Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association
assembled.*

WHEREAS, The Cousette Family and Officer Dornell Cousette have made a sacrifice for the protection of Tuscaloosa citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association and the students of The University of Alabama honors the service and life of Tuscaloosa Police Officer Dornell Cousette; and

WHEREAS, Officer Cousette was fatally injured while serving a warrant arrest of a suspect; and

WHEREAS, during Officer Cousette's thirteen years of service, he achieved his goal as a police officer to have positive interactions with and impact upon the public; and

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association and the students of The University of Alabama offers profound sympathy to the friends and family of Officer Cousette, an Officer whom all should be proud.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Student Government Association and the students of The University of Alabama pay their highest respects to the duty and sacrifice of Officer Dornell Cousette.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Copies of this resolution be sent to the family of Dornell Cousette, Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Savannah Bullard, Editor-In-Chief of The Crimson White; Harrison Adams, President of Student Government Association; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



Resolution R-45-19
The University of Alabama
24th Senate 2019-2020

Authored By: Senator Jack Kappelman

Sponsored By: Senator Sam Perry, Senator Isabella DeSheplo, Senator Hillary Duong, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Royce Dickerson,

Endorsed By: Parliamentarian Hani Razavi, Executive Vice President Clay Martinson, President Harrison Adams, Marquis Hollingsworth, Vice President of External Affairs Brooks Payne, Vice President for Student Affairs Jason Rothfarb, Vice President for Academic Affairs Allison Bailey

**A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S
COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND
ACADEMIC FREEDOM FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF**

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is a flagship university with a large and diverse body of students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America protects the freedom of speech for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is obligated to uphold this right in regards to the students, faculty, and staff of the Capstone and is further obligated to not only uphold an individual's freedom to expression but also the academic freedom of UA faculty, students, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama has not reaffirmed its commitment to the protection of freedom of speech for students, faculty, and staff following the resignation of Dr. Jamie Riley; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama and Dr. Jamie Riley have mutually agreed to part ways; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama Student Government Association Senate acknowledges that there are unknown circumstances surrounding the nature of Dr. Riley's departure; now,

THEREFORE, be it *RESOLVED*, that the Student Government Association Senate encourages the administration of the University of Alabama to reaffirm its commitment to protecting the freedom of speech for and academic freedom of students, faculty, and staff following recent events surrounding the resignation of Dr. Jamie Riley.

Be it further resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to: President Stuart Bell, President Harrison Adams, Vice President Kathleen Cramer, Vice President Christine Taylor, Vice President Linda Bonnin, the University of Alabama System, the University of Alabama Board of Trustees, the Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



Resolution R-46-19
The University of Alabama
24th Senate 2019-2020

Authors: Senator Royce Dickerson

Sponsors: Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Isabella DeSheplo, Senator Hillary Duong, Senator Jack Kappelman, Senator Ford Mazingo, Senator Anna Beth Payne, Senator Sam Perry, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Brittany McMillian, Senator Matteo Taraborrelli, Senator Olivia Davis

Endorsements: President Harrison Adams, Vice President for External Affairs Brooks Payne

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE CAPSTONE CREED AND THE
SGA MISSION STATEMENT TO BE RECITED AT ALL SENATE
SESSIONS**

WHEREAS, The SGA Senate is a body that strives to follow and embody the Capstone Creed. The Capstone Creed being the pledge made at convocation by each incoming freshman class at the start of the academic year; and

WHEREAS, Individual senators were sworn to abide by their oath, the SGA constitution, and live out our mission of “Students Serving Students”. Seeing that we as the legislative branch of SGA must strive, together, to make the University of Alabama a better place for ALL students; and

WHEREAS, The SGA Senate currently has no reminder of the Capstone Creed at its sessions or our SGA mission statement; now,

THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, For the remainder of the 2019-2020 Senate, that each senate session will be opened by a randomly selected senator reciting the Capstone Creed and the SGA Mission of “Students Serving Students”.

Be it further resolved, That it will be the Secretary of the Senate who will include this on the docket of each meeting, along with a senator that he or she has chosen to recite the Capstone Creed and the SGA Mission Statement after the roll call has been taken at that session.

Be it further resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to: Harrison Adams, SGA President; Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Kathleen Cramer, Interim Vice President for Student Life; The Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



Resolution R-47-19
The University of Alabama
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Authored by: Senator Sam Rickert

Sponsored by: Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Erin Jolley, Senator Olivia Davis, Senator Jamison Hanley, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Will Stiers, Senator Anna Beth Payne, Senator Joel Rittenberg, Senator Jillian Fields, Senator Cade Bosek, Senator William Schramm, Senator Meyer Mercker, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Brittany McMillian, Senator Kaelyn Embler

Endorsements: VPEA Brooks Payne, VPAA Allison Bailey

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ADDITION OF A GOOGLE FORM
FOR SUGGESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS ON CAMPUS**

WHEREAS, the SGA motto is “Students Serving Students”; and

WHEREAS, the UA SGA Senate is designed to represent the student body through committees focusing on specific initiatives that affect students (Student Affairs, Financial Affairs, etc.); and

WHEREAS, ideas can be easily expressed through a unanimous google form; and

WHEREAS, phone scannable QR codes linking to the google form can be easily posted around campus; and

WHEREAS, needed improvements on campus necessary to students can vary due to opinions/experiences not being effectively heard; and

WHEREAS, as representatives of the student body it is our mission to hear these concerns and recommendations to better the everyday experience for every student.

THEREFORE, now it be *RESOLVED*, that an “*SGA Google Forum for Suggestion and Recommendation to Improve Campus Life*” be created



Act A-11-19
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Authors: Senator Olivia Davis, Senator Jillian Fields

Sponsors: Senator Sam Rickert, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Will Stiers, Senator Erin Jolley, Senator Jamison Hanley, Senator Anna Beth Payne, Senator Joel Rittenburg, Senator Cade Boseck, Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator William Schramm, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Kaelyn Emblar

Endorsements: Director of Programming and Advancement Josh Britt, Vice President of External Affairs Brooks Payne, Vice President of Academic Affairs Allison Bailey, Vice President for Financial Affairs Hunter Scott, Panhellenic President Grace Anne Lake, Not On My Campus

**AN ACT TO CREATE DISPLAY SIGNS WITH CAMPUS SAFETY
RESOURCES IN THE FERGUSON STUDENT CENTER**

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is a premier university with a student body of 38,392 students; and

WHEREAS, the safety of all students is a top priority of both university administration and Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama and several off-campus organizations provide safety resources to students; and

WHEREAS, the descriptions of these resources and contact information is not currently consolidated into one item of viewing; and

WHEREAS, this information is vital in protecting students and cannot be properly utilized if it is not known by the students; and

WHEREAS, It's On Us Week is a movement sponsored by the Student Government Association aimed at fundamentally shifting the culture around sexual assault, working to educate, engage, and empower students and communities across the country to aid in ending sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, It's On Us Week is a prime opportunity to spark dialogue surrounding campus safety and promote resources offered to students;

THEREFORE, be it *RESOLVED*, that the Student Government Association will create permanent signs listing descriptions and contact information for student safety resources inside the Ferguson Student Center in conjunction with It's On Us Week.

Be it further resolved, that the resources listed will include the UAct Program, UAPD, Women and Gender Resource Center, UA Counseling Center, Student Health Center, Title IX Office, Tuscaloosa Safe Center, Turning Point, and RAINN.

Be it further resolved, that the funds for this project will come from the Senate budget in partnership with the Ferguson Student Center.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this be sent to: Harrison Adams, SGA President; Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Kathleen Cramer, Vice-President for Student Life; Savannah Bullard, Editor-In-Chief of *The Crimson White*; Dana Bonifacio-Sample, Director of the Ferguson Student Center; Grace Anne Lake, Panhellenic President

