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To implore a change in Parking and Transit Services to accommodate all students with motor vehicles on the campus of James Madison University.

IN THE SENATE OF JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Senator Parker Boggs submitted the following resolution in conjunction with Representative Helen Nguyen and Senator Marlena Kozlowski.

A RESOLUTION

To implore a change within the Parking and Transit Services on how they ticket all members of the JMU community with motor vehicles at the beginning of each semester.

Whereas, giving students one week from the day classes begin to obtain their parking passes will benefit students financially, AND;

Whereas, ticketing students immediately arriving to campus causes potential financial harm after most students would've just paid their tuition, whether it be with loans, a payment plan, or in full, at the beginning of the semester, AND;

Whereas, students having a vehicle on campus for the first time may not fully understand the current parking system provided by the university immediately upon arrival and are still subject to fines starting at \$25.00, AND;

Whereas, students unable to find parking resort to metered lots that have a maximum parking duration that do not reach the shortest university class time of 50 minutes, possibly resulting in a \$25.00 fine, AND;

Whereas, JMU Parking Services can send an email to all students who qualify to purchase parking passes on the first day of classes each semester informing of when ticketing will begin, as well as the day before.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Student Senate of James Madison University, That:

The Student Government Association of James Madison University supports and implores a change in the system of JMU Parking Services to support all students upon their arrival and/or arrival back to the university in three ways:

- Giving a one week grace period, starting the first day of classes each semester of the academic year, for all students to get (re)situated with the current parking system provided by James Madison University.
- 2. Parking Services should begin to give 'warning' tickets for the first week with a clear explanation on why the vehicle is parked incorrectly to correct future parking infractions on campus parking lots.
- 3. Extend all metered lots run by ParkMobile to one hour and fifteen minutes.

This resolution is to be sent to the following:

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