

Student Covernment Association

of James Madison University
HARRISONBURG, V.A.

A RESOLUTION

S. Res. 31

To ensure functioning elevators and handicap doors throughout James Madison University facilities.

IN THE SENATE OF JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Senator Mason Hoey submitted the following resolution in conjunction with Senator Marcus Rand.

With support from the following organizations

American Sign Language Club

I DREAM Disability Network and Coalition

Madison Equality



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To recommend the implementation of interior and exterior QR codes to create easily accessible report forms to ensure accessibility options remain functional.

Whereas, JMU's Strategic Plan Section 3 Goal 2A acknowledges the need for "a campus climate that is inclusive and equitable", AND;

Whereas, James Madison University buildings implement the use of Handicap Push Plate Buttons, AND;

Whereas, James Madison University buildings use elevators to ensure accessible transportation throughout floors, AND;

Whereas, Handicap Push Plate Buttons may, on occasion, be found dysfunctional around campus, AND;

Whereas, Elevators may, on occasion, be found dysfunctional around campus, AND;

Whereas, A lack of accessible entries may force students with disabilities to enter buildings through extraordinary means, AND;

Whereas, A lack of functional elevators may force students with disabilities to be unable to traverse University facilities, AND;

Whereas, James Madison University's form to "Report Accessibility Barriers" is difficult to locate, AND;

Whereas, Students may be unaware of the existence of a form to report accessibility barriers across campus, AND;

Whereas, Students would be more likely to report accessibility barriers with the addition of quick-to-access report forms;

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



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The Student Government Association of James Madison University requests that reporting accessibility barriers should be made quicker to access and that James Madison University should implement QR codes on the interior and exterior doors of accessible door mechanisms and elevators to encourage students to report accessibility barriers.

This Resolution is to be sent to:

- I. Dr. Malika Carter-Hoyt, Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Chief

 Diversity Officer
- II. Arthur Dean, Associate Vice President for Inclusive Excellence and Engagement
- III. Christi Carter, Director for the Office of Equal Opportunity
- IV. Valerie Schoolcraft, Director of the Office of Disability Services
- V. Gary Shears, Executive Director, Facilities and Construction