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AR 27: In Support of an Increase in Bicycle Parking Accommodations on Campus

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WHEREAS, Transportation to and from The University of Texas at Austin campus is a concern for many students; and,

WHEREAS, Alternative modes of transportation, such as mass transit and cycling, offer a "more healthy, low cost, and environmentally friendly form of transportation"¹; and,

WHEREAS, Cyclists require "convenient, safe and secure parking"¹; and,

WHEREAS, The Student Government of The University of Texas at Austin has previously passed legislation supporting bicycle friendly policies on campus²; and,

WHEREAS, High-traffic areas such as the Perry-Castañeda Library, Robert Lee Moore Hall, Beauford H. Jester Center, the Jesse H. Jones Communication Center, and other areas with large concentrations of students lack adequate parking space for cyclists³; and,

WHEREAS, This lack of adequate space leads cyclists to choose illegal approaches, such as the securing of bicycles to handrails, traffic signs and barriers³; and,

WHEREAS, Efforts to decrease car usage on and near campus require an investment in adequate parking accommodations for cyclists; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Student Government of the University of Texas at Austin requests that additional bicycle parking accommodations be provided on and near campus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this legislation be sent to the Office of the President, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Office of the Vice President for University Operations, the Office of the Associate Vice President for Campus Safety and Security, the Office of the Dean of Students, and Parking and Transportation Services.

¹ "Cycling to Work", a publication of Roads and Transportation Authority of Australia (http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/usingroads/downloads/cycling_to_work.pdf)

² Assembly Resolution 7, 2009-2010 Student Government Assembly (<http://www.utexas.edu/studentgov/downloads/legis/265.doc>)

³ See Attached Photos