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A Resolution -

To be known as , "A Resolution to Allow Campus Wide Concealed Carry," to ensure the most safety on the Texas State University Campus.

1	WHEREAS:	More than 150 schools have allowed
2		campus-wide concealed carry for a
3		combined total of 1500 semesters
4		without any acts or threats of acts of
5		violence or suicide from permitted gun
6		owners; and
7	WHEREAS:	Studies by the National Academy of
7 8	WHEREAS:	Studies by the National Academy of Sciences and the Harvard Injury Control
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13	WHEREAS:	2002-2006 Texas Department of Public
14		Safety statistics declare Texas
15		concealed handgun license holders were
16		five and a half times less likely than
17		members of Texas's general population
18		to commit manslaughter and four times
19		less likely to commit murder; and
20	WHEREAS:	"Safe School Initiative: An Interim
21		Report on the Prevention of Targeted
22		Violence in Schools," A U.S. Secret
23		Service National Threat Assessment
24		Center study in collaboration with the
25		U.S. Department of Education with
26		support from the National Institute of
27		Justice, investigated 37 school
28		shootings, noting that "over half of
29		the attacks were resolved/ended before
30		law enforcement responded to the scene.
31		In these cases, the attacker was
32		stopped by faculty or fellow students,
33		decided to stop shooting on his own, or
34		killed himself;" and

35	WHEREAS:	The Safe School Initiative study
36		conducted by the United States Secret
37		Service also concluded that school
38		shooters do not simply lose control and
39		that a person's downward spiral toward
40		violence is typically accompanied by
41		numerous warning signs; and
42	WHEREAS:	Despite dangers proposed from unlawful
43		gun carriers and outside threats, Texas
44		State University does not allow
45		concealed carry in the CDC, CARES, ACC,
46		Speech-Language-Hearing and Physical
47		Therapy Clinics, locations used for
48		Pre-K through Grade 12 summer session
49		activities and camps, Student Health
50		Center, fifth floor of the LBJ Student
51		Center, Counseling Centers, and any
52		location when used for disciplinary
53		matters, legal and quasi-judicial
54		matters, legal compliance, Strahan
55		Coliseum, Bobcat Stadium, Bobcat
56		Baseball and Softball Complex, Track
57		and Field Stadium, other locations when

58		used for NCAA or UIL events, University
59		President's House and grounds, polling
60		location on the third floor of the LBJ
61		Student Center when used for that
62		purpose, and the location of
63		governmental meetings; and
64	WHEREAS:	School Shooters and potential threats
65		do not stop their violent actions due
66		to having a high regard for law and
67		authority; and
68	WHEREAS:	Texas Government Code Chapter 411,
69		Subchapter H sets out the eligibility
70		criteria that must be met. Applicants
71		must be at least 21 years of age
72		(unless active duty military) and must
73		meet federal qualifications to purchase
74		a handgun. A number of factors may make
75		individuals ineligible to obtain a
76		license, such as: felony convictions,
77		some misdemeanor convictions, including
78		charges that resulted in probation or
79		deferred adjudication; certain pending
80		criminal charges; chemical or alcohol

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81	dependency; certain types of
82	psychological diagnoses, and protective
83	or restraining orders; and
84 WHEREAS:	An original (first-time) LTC applicant
85	must complete classroom training, pass
86	a written examination and pass a
87	proficiency demonstration (shooting).
88	All classroom and proficiency must be
89	conducted by an LTC instructor
90	certified by DPS. The classroom
91	instruction may be a four to six-hour
92	course and must cover the four (4)
93	statutory required topics: Laws that
94	relate to weapons and the use of deadly
95	force, handgun use and safety,
96	including use of restraint holsters and
97	methods to ensure the secure carrying
98	of openly carried handguns, non-violent
99	dispute resolution, proper storage
100	practices for handguns with an emphasis
101	on storage practices that eliminate the
102	possibility of accidental injury to a
103	child; and

104	BE IT RESOLVED:	Concealed-carry should be allowed on
105		every square foot of Texas State
106		University, in accordance with NCAA
107		rules regarding sporting events, in
108		order to provide a safer campus for our
109		fellow Bobcats, deter outside threats,
110		and protect ourselves in the face of
111		danger as concealed-carry owners have
112		demonstrated statistically and
113		historically that they are
114		knowledgeable enough to handle firearms
115		responsibly by the lack of violent
116		occurrences performed by licensed
117		concealed-carry owners; and
118	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:	That if passed this legislation be
119		forwarded to the Student Body President
120		Andrew Homann for further action.