A Resolution—

To be known as “A Resolution to Add a Safety Feature for the Texas State Mobile Application,” which calls for Texas State University to provide a safety tool in its mobile application.

WHEREAS: Texas State University continues to maintain its student population growth; and

WHEREAS: Texas State Student Government takes inception in discovering new and innovative methods for students to feel safe and comfortable in and around this university; and

WHEREAS: In order to ensure a more comfortable and safer environment for all, Student Government aims to enhance and seek tools frequently utilized by students; and

WHEREAS: Student Government acknowledges that the Texas State Mobile Application is a tool many students can access via their mobile device; and
WHEREAS: A new state law recently implemented in all public institutions may lead to a decrease in the sense of safety and security within the student body; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That Texas State University implement a safety feature as part of its mobile application for the purpose of providing students a platform where they can report in confidence any suspicious activity/provide information to the University Police Department that could potentially endanger their life, the lives of others, or the campus community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this safety tool be accessible to all who can download the Texas State Mobile Application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the safety tool be formatted where students can submit “crime tips” or “safety tips” directly to the University Police Department (UPD); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That students have the option to submit the tip with their contact information OR anonymously, have the ability to submit photo/video evidence, and are given an opportunity to send tip location; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a similar form be created for the official Texas State Website under the UPD
page, and that this form be used for those who wish to leave a “tip” but do not have access to the mobile application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That UPD actively investigate all tips submitted that they deem necessary and can cause harm to an individual, group, or our university; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the form notes its intended purpose to avoid any unnecessary traffic into the tip line; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That upon passage, this piece of legislation be forwarded to Student Body President Andrew Homman for further action.