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**A Resolution -**

**To be known as “A Resolution to increase the number of 911 Call Boxes at Bobcat Stadium, the intersection between Academy and James Street, and in Commuter Parking lots in addition to a maintenance checkup of all current call boxes on campus to guarantee that they are functioning properly” which will serve to ensure the safety of the Texas State student body.**

**WHEREAS:** Texas State has experienced an exponential amount of growth. Not only in regards to student enrollment, but also in the amount of expansion that has taken place on and around campus; and

**WHEREAS:** As we strive to further expand and develop as a top University in the State of Texas, it is important to continuously improve and implement safety measures and precautions that provide peace of mind to the campus community; and

**WHEREAS:**  Improvements to our campus should not be overlooked as they ultimately better our experience here at Texas State. However, certain aspects of campus such as safety and security should be addressed; and

**WHEREAS:** In recent years, this campus has experienced prevalent amount of crime taking place not only on campus but in the nearby surrounding areas as well; and

**WHEREAS:**  This campus is supposed to be an environment in which students can congregate and feel safe , however certain incidents that have occurred on and around campus in recent history has made students feel increasingly unsafe in terms of walking around campus late at night and partaking in activities on campus that may require students to walk a distance; and

**WHEREAS:**  Although The University Police Department continues to ensure that the campus community remains safe this is a task that UPD cannot accomplish alone. In order to achieve a safer campus, together we as student representatives along with members of the campus community need to take action; and

**WHEREAS:** Currently there are 135 911 Call Boxes on Central Campus, however there are still some areas of campus such as Bobcat Stadium, the intersection between Academy and James Street, as well as some Commuter Parking lots that would benefit from the addition of 911 Call Boxes seeing as how these areas see a high amount of student traffic on a daily basis; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That there be an increase in the amount of 911 call boxes that are currently at Bobcat Stadium, the intersection between Academy and James Street and also commuter parking lots on campus in order to take preventative action against possible incidents and ensure student safety.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That all current 911 call boxes be checked for maintenance to ensure that all boxes are functioning properly and are able to be utilized; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That upon passage, this piece of legislation be forwarded to the University Police Department and Student Body President, Lauren Stotler, for further action.