



Student Government Resolution 113.001
A Resolution Addressing the Department of Public Safety and Expressing Support for the
Student Government Parking Appeals Chair
Sponsored by Aaron Malin, President of the Student Association

WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and exists to represent the present and long-term best interest of the Student Association in the formulation of the University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- Allison Lammert has acted diligently in her role as Parking Appeals Chair; and
- On September 14, 2012, Allison Lammert was treated with tremendous disrespect by six personnel¹ of Truman's Department of Public Safety while attempting to remedy a minor clerical error committed in good conscience by the Parking Appeals Committee; and
- Said clerical error consisted of accidentally checking the wrong box on the appeals forms; and
- Allison Lammert spent over four hours and had multiple visits with staff members and administrators in an attempt to rectify this small mistake; and
- Personnel of the Department of Public Safety refused numerous times to allow for a remedy without clarifying any reason for the refusal; and
- After being ordered by Vice President for Administration, Finance & Planning Dave Rector to return the appeals forms for correction, six employees¹ of the Department of Public Safety attempted to intimidate the Parking Appeals chair as she entered the building to obtain the aforementioned appeals forms; and
- Personnel of the Department of Public Safety attempted to coerce the Parking Appeals Chair into not remedying the error by convincing her that no error had been committed; and
- Allison acted professionally and assertively while carrying out duties that were completely out of the realm of her job as the Parking Appeals Chair; and
- The body recognizes that the actions and behaviors by the Department of Public Safety personnel toward Allison Lammert, though regrettable and unacceptable, are not necessarily indicative of the University's experience with Department of Public Safety as a whole, or of the behavior of all individual personnel; and
- Mistreatment of students by numerous personnel of university departments must be publicly condemned if it is to be prevented in the future.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT:

¹ The six employees cited include both office secretaries/assistants, as well as the four officers present in the DPS Front Office between 4:10 P.M. and 4:16 P.M. on Friday, September 14th, 2012

- Declares that personnel of the Department of Public Safety have acted inappropriately toward Parking Appeals Chair Allison Lammert; and
- Expresses disappointment in the conduct of six employees¹ of the Department of Public Safety on September 14, 2012; and
- Reaffirms the unwavering support of the full body for Parking Appeals Chair Allison Lammert; and
- The Student Government looks forward to improving the relationship between students and DPS; and
- Vows to prevent the future mistreatment of students by the Department of Public Safety by advocating vehemently on their behalf; and
- Encourages personnel of the Department of Public Safety to attend future Student Government meetings in order to foster a positive relationship.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY DIRECTS THAT:

- Additional copies of this resolution are disseminated to President Troy Paino, Dean of Student Affairs Lou Ann Gilchrist, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Beth Kral, Vice President for Administration, Finance and Planning Dave Rector, Student Government DPS Oversight Committee Chair Michael Baharaeen, Director of DPS Thomas Johnson, Parking Services Secretary Carolyn Cox, the Pickler Memorial Library Office of Special Collections, and the Truman Media Network.

Passed September 16, 2012

By a Vote of 5-4-0



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President of the Student Association