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A Resolution concerning the
Future of Light Rail on the University of Houston Campus

[Unanimously approved by the University of Houston Faculty Senate on November 18, 2009]

Whereas, the development of a public mass transit system based on an integrated multi-modal network incorporating both bus and light rail is of the utmost importance to the continued economic and social expansion of the City of Houston and the region;
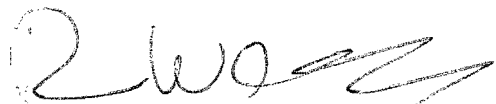
Whereas, the design and construction of such a transportation network should be guided by the over-arching principle that the ultimate goal is to serve the transportation needs of the citizens of the City of Houston and the region;

Whereas; the University of Houston and its campus resources are an integral part of the economic, educational, social and cultural fabric of the City of Houston and the region

Whereas, the University of Houston campus has a potential mass transit ridership of over 50,000 students, staff and faculty who live on and commute to the campus on a daily basis;

Whereas, METRO has ignored the legitimate questions and concerns raised by the University of Houston community as to the final configuration of the light rail system with an apparent disregard for either the impact on the University campus or consideration of the transportation needs of the citizens who actually live and work on the University campus;

Therefore be it Resolved that the proposed expansion and the final configuration of the light rail system on the University of Houston campus be halted until there is an immediate, open and collaborative dialog between METRO and the University of Houston community such that it will reflect the transportation needs of the citizens of the City of Houston and region who live and work on the University of Houston campus.

Dan Wells
President

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