EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY
THE NINETY-EIGHTH STUDENT SENATE
FALL TERM TWO THOUSAND TWELVE

RESOLUTION NO. S. Res-99-006
AUTHORED BY President Nolfleet
SUPPORTED BY Internal Affairs Committee

A RESOLUTION TO: ENDORSE THE ENACTMENT OF A 2012-2013 WINTER SEMESTER PILOT PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES THE EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY WITH UNLIMITED RIDERSHIP ANN ARBOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BUS PASSES

THE STUDENT BODY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ENACTS:

WHEREAS, parking to be among the chief concerns of the Student Body,

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority (AATA) is a bus line that services the Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor area,

WHEREAS, in the 2011-2012 school year, Student Government attempted to pass a petition to show support for subsidized AATA bus passes,

WHEREAS, Student Government has supported efforts to give student subsidized AATA bus passes for four years,

WHEREAS, the current cost of an AATA bus pass is $60 per month,

NOTING, an estimated 15% of EMU students live along bus routes,

REMINDING, the addition to the student fee to provide the passes would cost less than $15 a semester for the average full time student,

RECALLING, the savings of $500 per year for a student with the subsidized bus pass

OBSERVING, regional institutions that have provided this service to its students nearly a decade,

WELCOMING, the reduction in on-campus parking congestion as a result of increased bus ridership,

RECALLING, the current parking situation on campus,

EMPHASIZING, the my.emich poll, with 52% of students surveyed supporting the measure, despite the fact that roughly 88% of students are commuters;

BE IT RESOLVED, EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT:
REAFFIRMS, its ongoing support for the subsidized bus pass proposal;

CALLS UPON, the University to implement the program with all due haste;

COMMENTS, to remain actively seized in the matter.