

West Virginia University
The Student Assembly - Student Government Association
Assembly Resolution: AR-2022-08-03
**AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY TO
PRIORITIZE AFFORDABLE PARKING ON CAMPUS**

Short Title:	Parking Affordability
Author(s):	Azeem Khan, President Pro Tempore Matthew Hudson, College Senator (Health Sciences) Devin Price, Senator
Sponsor(s):	Brooke Jones, Senator Garrett Oursler, College Senator (Davis) Tommy Azinger, College Senator (Statler) Laasya Chennuru, Senator Clarence Moore, College Senator (Law) Rushik Patel, College Senator (Statler) Emily Whalen, Senator
Contributor(s):	
Committee Endorsement:	Student Experience
First Reading Date:	10/26/2022
Second Reading Date:	11/02/2022
Date of Approval:	11/02/2022
Presidential Signature:	

Whereas, the West Virginia University Student Government Association Constitution states our desire to “ensure the personal freedoms and general welfare of the students

within our University”¹; and,

Whereas, many students, faculty, and staff commute to campus for class, work, and other activities; and,

Whereas, only 24% of undergraduate students live on-campus; and,²

Whereas, parking prices range from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per hour for short-term parking lots on the downtown campus; and,³

Whereas, parking prices range from \$0.50 to \$1.25 per hour for short-term parking lots on the Evansdale campus; and,⁴

Whereas, parking prices for the Mountaineer Station garage, designated as the sole short-term parking lot for the Health Sciences Campus, are set at \$1.50 per hour; and,⁵

Whereas, limited student parking permits are available at costs ranging from \$252 to \$858 per year; and,⁶

Whereas, employee parking permits are available at costs ranging from \$252 to \$900 per year; and,⁷

Whereas, prior to this summer the Coliseum Parking lot served as one of the only free parking areas for students, faculty, and staff around campus; and,

Whereas, commuter students and students that live off-campus must either purchase a parking permit or pay to park in a short-term lot; and,

Whereas, tuition has increased for students four out of the last five years; and,⁸

¹ [2022-23-constitution.pdf \(wvu.edu\)](#)

² [FAQ: How many students live on campus? - West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

³ [Downtown Parking Location | Transportation and Parking | West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

⁴ [Evansdale Parking Location | Transportation and Parking | West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

⁵ [Health Sciences Parking Location | Transportation and Parking | West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

⁶ [Student Parking Permits | Transportation and Parking | West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

⁷ [Employee Parking Permits | Transportation and Parking | West Virginia University \(wvu.edu\)](#)

⁸

https://www.thedaonline.com/news/university/wvu-students-voice-concern-as-tuition-inflation-costs-rise/article_84d8404a-fee4-11ec-9eab-3f43a88ea94d.html

Whereas, tuition will likely continue to increase for students in the coming years; and,⁹

Whereas, with the expensive nature of parking on campus coupled with overall increases in cost of tuition, cost of living, and everyday essentials, the economic burden of a Mountaineer education is steadily climbing ; and,

Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Assembly of West Virginia University:

Section 1: The West Virginia Student Government Association urges WVU to explore actions which can be taken to make parking more affordable for students.

Section 2: The West Virginia Student Government Association urges WVU to prioritize making parking more affordable on campus for students.

Section 3: Upon passage and approval, this legislation shall be forwarded to:

Mandates:

Rob Aslop, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives
Ted Svehlik, Associate Vice President of Auxiliary and Business Services
G. Corey Farris, Dean of Students
Dr. Thanh Le, Director, Student Engagement and Leadership
Sean Manning, News and Information Manager
Chloe Hernandez, Student Body President
Morgan Donate, SGA Secretary
Daily Athenaeum