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PHYSICAL FACILITIES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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Recommends that during the fall and spring semesters, Monday morning through Friday morning, overnight parking in the Third Avenue parking garage is allowed only on levels three (3) and above. This policy will be effective beginning with the fall 2008 semester.

RATIONALE:

Due to issues of fairness, safety, and the environment, the committee recommends limiting overnight or residential parking to the third level and above, Monday through Friday mornings. All cars parked on levels one and two between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Monday through Friday will be subject to ticketing. This policy is in effect only on days in which classes are scheduled and does not apply to weekends, scheduled breaks, and summer sessions.

FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:

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The rationale for the above bill states in part due to the issues of fairness, safety, and the environment the committee recommends limiting overnight parking to the third level and above. The Student Government Association should address the issues of fairness due to the fact that 90% of the garage permit holders are currently students. Presently there is no indication that there was any student involvement in the current recommendation, nor a recommendation made by the Student Government Association.

Safety and the environment were used to justify the passing of the recommendation. Safety is a concern at all times and forcing a person to park on the upper floors after a certain time when spaces are available on the lower floors could also place them at risk.

The environmental issues are a limited concern because any party must expend fuel that parks on the upper floors so currently that is not an issue.

The limited enforcement time is also a concern for parking administrators with the opening of the new recreational center and with research students and staff arriving during the time of enforcement, it is difficult to understand how the parking staff could identify the vehicles that had been there overnight as opposed to those that have just arrived to start their day at the university.