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Resolution #4706

**Asking Administration for Additional Funds to Allow for the Dedicated Enforcement of
Safe Bicycling Standards and Practices and Laws**

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ABSTRACT: Support the Growth of Bicycle Ridership for all Users on Campus

WHEREAS

According to green.colostate.edu, “At Colorado State University, sustainability is foundational to who we are”. Bicycling is up 16% on campus in 2017, a major determining factor in CSU receiving a “#1 Greenest Colleges” award from BestColleges.com, and a “Green College Honor Roll:2016” from [The Princeton Review](http://ThePrincetonReview.com), and,

WHEREAS

ASCSU and CSU PD have been contacted by several students voicing their concerns about the activities of bicyclists, long boarders, and skateboarders on campus. Examples include running stop signs, failing to yield, failing to dismount, and,

WHEREAS

CSU one of only five universities in America to own the title of “Platinum Bike-Friendly University”, according to BikeLeague.org. This award judges universities on the “5 E’s”

concept: engineering, education, encouragement, **enforcement**, and evaluation & planning. According to Joy Childress, Traffic and Bicycle Education & Enforcement Program Coordinator, CSU received a “Silver” on the first submission purely due to our enforcement standards. She fears that we will lose our “Platinum” rating due to the inability to maintain those same enforcement standards.

WHEREAS

According to the 2017 CSU Parking and Annual Mode-Split Survey, 20% of students use a bicycle as their primary mode of transport and 18% use a bicycle as their secondary mode of transportation. Two-thirds of students reported that they do not drive. 26% of students only drive a personal vehicle to school and do not have a secondary mode of transportation. We must consider a reprioritization of resources, and,

WHEREAS

CSU invests in education through the Rambassador program, the Spoke, as well as in events through campus; these are only as effective as the enforcement to support them; and

WHEREAS

We know a certain subset of the university, the “interested but concerned cyclists”, who will ride to CSU if they perceive that the campus is safe for them to ride. Enforcement ensures that the campus is safe for them to ride for current and future cyclists; and,

WHEREAS

CSU PD, when fully staffed, has successfully enforced bicycles across campus. Our BEEP (Bicycle Enforcement Education Program) initiative has been adopted by Fort Collins PD; and

WHEREAS

ASCSU recognizes that CSUPD has attrition challenges, and must train officers annually. Additionally, with our new stadium, CSU needs more officers to meet Homeland Security Requirements. We want to make sure that they have the resources to be fully staffed, and,

WHEREAS

ASCSU collaborates with the Colorado State University Police Department and the President’s Office through the Campus Safety Advisory Committee to ensure campus safety and responsible bicycle etiquette, including with bicycle transportation; and,

WHEREAS

CSU PD bike programs break completely even, using any extra revenue to fund education programs, bike racks, lights and helmets, as well as paying for ASCSU to play music at the bike parade. At the 2017 “We Ride” event, CSU PD handed out 400 bike lights, 400 helmets and 400 bells; and,

WHEREAS

Our campus is like a small city, and requires an investment in police officers, as if we were a municipality.

THEREFORE BE IT HERBEY FURTHER ENACTED

That the university will provide the necessary funds to accomplish the task of staffing three officers dedicated to the enforcement of safe bicycle standards and practices, and one corporal or sergeant to oversee them

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Dr. Tony Frank, Colorado State University President;

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