Resolution No. 1819-07
A Resolution Requesting Action in Response to the Changes of Public Transit in the City of Columbia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HERE GATHERED THAT:

WHEREAS, The City of Columbia’s City Council on September 17, 2018 approved their 2019 Annual City Budget; and
WHEREAS, In this new budget the following changes to the City of Columbia’s Public Transit and ParaTransit will be implemented in the dates following the listed change: 1. The ending time of transit service hours will change from 8pm to 7pm (Effective October 1, 2018); 2. Public Transit and ParaTransit will stop Saturday service (Effective July 2019); 3. Eliminating and adjusting existing transit routes (Effective July 2019); 4. Minimizes the amount of transit buses running at any given time to 6 from 12 (Effective July 2019); and
WHEREAS, MU students, staff, and faculty use public transit to meet their needs of transportation to the MU campus; and
WHEREAS, The University of Missouri does not have a city-wide transit system that services MU student, staff, and faculty transportation needs; and
WHEREAS, These changes will create a deficit in transportation for individuals currently in the Fall 2018 semester who have classes or tests that occur past 7pm, but end before 8pm; therefore be it
RESOLVED, By majority vote of the General Assembly here gathered that the Graduate Professional Council does support an initiative by the MU Administration to address this deficit that will occur for Public Transit and ParaTransit; and be it further
RESOLVED, The Graduate Professional Council will work alongside the Missouri Student Association and MU Administration to meet the need the City of Columbia’s decision will stop meeting as of October 1, 2018.

SUBMITTED,
Blake Willoughby
Executive Board