



VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION 26-02

A RESOLUTION To Increase Odum library hours of operation by 1 hour

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WHEREAS: the Student Government Association (SGA) recognizes the importance of providing students at Valdosta State University (VSU) with adequate and accessible study spaces on campus; and

WHEREAS, students often face limited access to study areas during late-night hours, as most campus facilities close at 10:00 p.m., creating challenges for those who require a quiet and productive environment beyond these hours; and

WHEREAS, studying in residence halls can be distracting, particularly for students who share rooms, and may disrupt roommates when studying late at night; and

WHEREAS, SGA has received feedback expressing frustration regarding Odum Library's operating hours, which are perceived as shorter than those of comparable public libraries and insufficient to meet students' academic needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that SGA recommends Odum Library extend its regular operating hours to 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that SGA proposes a three-day trial period during which Odum Library remains open 1 hour to observe student traffic during these times, with access restricted to students and authorized campus community members through a secure card-swipe entry system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That safety measures during extended hours include increased police patrols, remote monitoring, and the posting of clear emergency procedures and a code of conduct with potential consequences throughout the facility;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That by implementing these changes, students will have greater access to a safe and distraction-free study environment, thereby supporting their academic success.