



VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION 26-03

A RESOLUTION to Expand Dining Access for Students with Consecutive Class Schedules.

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WHEREAS, the Student Government Association (SGA) of Valdosta State University (VSU) is committed to advocating for student well-being and ensuring meaningful student inclusion in decisions that impact campus dining operations and accessibility;

WHEREAS, access to affordable, timely, and reliable dining options is essential to students' physical well-being, academic performance, and overall success;

WHEREAS, a significant number of students maintain consecutive or back-to-back class schedules that limit their ability to access dining services during the current operating hours of the Palms Dining Hall;

WHEREAS, the current operating hours of the Palms Dining Hall do not adequately accommodate students whose academic obligations extend beyond traditional meal periods;

WHEREAS, students have expressed a demonstrated need for expanded dining availability, including extended operating hours or alternative food access options;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Valdosta State University Student Government Association formally recommends extending the operating hours of the Palms Dining Hall by one additional hour to better serve students with consecutive class schedules;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if extending dining hall hours is determined to be infeasible, the University explore the establishment of a grab-and-go dining station or comparable alternative to provide accessible meal options during extended hours;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Student Government Association requests a meeting with University Dining Services and Auxiliary Services to discuss feasibility, cost considerations, and the potential implementation of pilot programs related to expanded dining access;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be communicated to the appropriate University administrative offices and shared with the student body to ensure transparency, collaboration, and continued advocacy for improved dining accessibility.