



The University of Texas at Arlington
Arlington, Texas 76010

Office of the President

November 19, 1971

Memorandum to: Student Congress
Through: Dean Wayne Duke, Student Life
Subject: Student Congress Resolution 71-25

Our office has received and reviewed Resolution 71-25, whose subject is pedestrian safety. We are in agreement with Student Congress that traffic on Third and Cooper Streets presents "a clear and present danger" to the pedestrians of the campus. The University administration has been actively pursuing various means of alleviating dangers which currently exist. Third Street is currently city property, but under terms of an agreement with the city will be deeded to the University in the not-too-distant future. At such time that it becomes University property, we anticipate taking actions which will insure the safety of students by eliminating through traffic from the street.

As you are probably aware, Cooper Street, in addition to being a main thoroughfare, is also a state highway. We have been actively negotiating with both the City of Arlington and the Texas Highway Department in an effort to provide a means for passage across Cooper Street. Both the city and state are sympathetic to our request and are currently considering the feasibility of recessing Cooper Street and providing crossovers at the present grade level. Permission to close Cooper Street in the area of the University cannot be obtained at this time.

I do wish to assure you that we share your concern in this matter.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Harrison".

Frank Harrison
President

FH:kp

cc: Vice-President R. B. Price
Chief Rufus L. Taylor
Professor Floyd Cash



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Office of the Dean of Student Life

September 27, 1971

MEMORANDUM TO: President Harrison
FROM: Wayne Duke, Dean of Student Life
SUBJECT: Student Congress Resolution 71-25

It is my understanding that plans to close Third Street are in process and that this action will be taken at the earliest possible date. I agree with the members of Student Congress that automotive traffic on Cooper Street presents "a clear and present danger to the pedestrians of the campus". Mr. Price has assured me that this problem is being considered at the present time but no definite plans have been made.

Occupancy of Davis Hall and future expansion of the campus west of Cooper Street will make this problem even more acute. Due to the fact that Cooper is both a state highway and city street, there obviously are many details to be worked out. I recommend that we proceed in the development of plans to deal with this problem with all due speed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wayne Duke".

Wayne Duke
Dean of Student Life

WD:ds
Encl.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

STUDENT CONGRESS
RESOLUTION NUMBER: 71-25

SUBJECT: Pedestrian Safety

AUTHOR: Courtney Roberts

SPONSOR: Courtney Roberts

DATE SUBMITTED: July 26, 1971

DATE CONSIDERED:

ACTION TAKEN: Referred to Student Affairs Committee (July 26)
Referred back to Student Affairs Committee (August 11)

REMARKS: Passed unanimously 9-14-71

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON
RESOLUTION NUMBER: 71-25
SUBJECT: PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Whereas, the physical safety of the members of the University community is a prime responsibility of the Student Congress and the University Administration, and

Whereas, the automotive traffic on Third Street and Cooper Street presents a clear and present danger to the pedestrians of the campus,

Be it therefore resolved:

- A. That the University Administration is requested to implement measures to insure pedestrian safety on Third and Cooper Streets, with consideration of the following methods:
 1. restriction and/or re-routing of automotive traffic
 2. use of campus police for traffic control during class changes
 3. use of pedestrian over or under passes.
- B. That this resolution be sent to the Chief of Security, Rufus Taylor, and to the chairman of the University Parking Committee.