THE STUDENT SENATE
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE

50th Legislative Assembly, 2nd Session

SB50.2-
A Resolution To Improve The Campus Readiness To Deal With Disabled Persons In The Event Of An Emergency Act

Short Title: Emergency Button Act
Primary Sponsor: Charles Hazzard, ColEng

Secondary Sponsor(s):

First Reading:
Referred To:
Passage:
Enacted:

Whereas, A student who uses a wheelchair must wait in an enclosed stairwell until such time as a fellow student reports the location of said student to an emergency responder for help;

Whereas, In the past it has taken a wheelchair bound student over an hour to get out of a campus facility without the use of elevators;

Whereas, Emergency responders must be the ones to assist given special training required to help disabled persons out of a building during an emergency circumstance;

Whereas, The likelihood that communication with emergency responders is unreliable due to weak cellphone reception in stairwells;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte:

SECTION I: An emergency response button be added to all upper floors that are areas of assistance

SECTION II: An area of assistance is defined by the University as an enclosed stairwell which leads to an outside location.

SECTION III: The emergency response button must communicate the location of the distress signal to emergency responders.

Mandates:

Dr. Arthur R. Jackson, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Dr. Christine Davis, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
I hereby certify that this legislation was considered and adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina in accordance with the Constitution of the Student Body and the By-Laws of the Student Senate on this ______ day of , ________________.

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 Jason Hartsoe
 President Pro Tempore of the Student Senate

I hereby signify my approval of this legislation as adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, this ______ day of , __________.

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 President of the Student Body