

## **Executive Action Sheet for Senate Legislation**

	SenateBill 332-007
	Resolution 332-
I, Te	ra Sloane, President of the Student Assembly of William & Mary do hereby:
	Approve
	Veto

The Student Assembly Senate Legislation:

# Pedestrian Infrastructure Act

President, 332nd Student Assembly (24-25)

DATE: 51124

#### A Bill

To ensure a holistic and safe transportation network

#### The Pedestrian Infrastructure Act

An Act of the 332nd Student Assembly of William & Mary,

Sponsored by Class President Nico Giro-Martin (27)

Co-Sponsored by Class President Matthew Hwang ('25)

Supported by Student Assembly President Terra Sloane, W&M Student Roswell Miller, Senior Assistant to the President Michael Fox

WHEREAS, one of the Student Assembly's chief priorities is protecting student safety and wellness;

WHEREAS, the Student Assembly has engaged in long conversations with the administration, the City of Williamsburg, and various other entities to address prominent pedestrian and traffic safety concerns around the campus;

WHEREAS, the City of Williamsburg has agreed to fund and install a new lighted crosswalk near the Arts Quarter and Lemon Hall on Jamestown Road;

WHEREAS, research suggests that rapid flashing beacons can result in motorist yielding rates as high at 98 percent at marked crosswalks, but varies depending on the location, posted speed limit, pedestrian crossing distance, one-versus two-way road, and the number of travel lanes (Fitzpatrick et al. 2016);

WHEREAS, the City of Williamsburg plans to repaint every crosswalk with high visibility paint, beginning with crosswalks adjacent to campus and the university will repaint every crosswalk internal to campus;

WHEREAS, this bill is an investment in student safety for the foreseeable future, and will act as a launching pad for additional initiatives to improve pedestrian safety on campus, funded by other parties including the College, the City of Williamsburg, and the William & Mary Police Department;

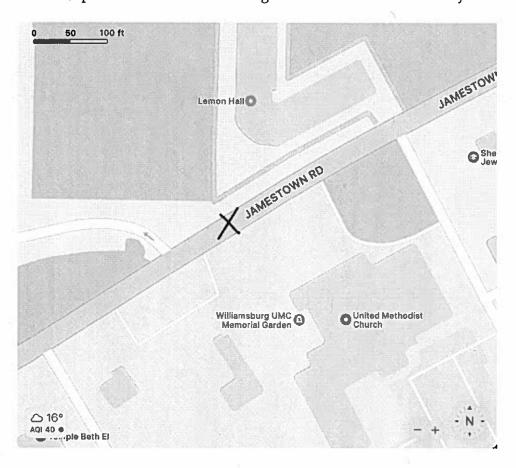
WHEREAS, the Student Assembly has committed to similar engagements (SB 326-043, SB 327-035, SB 328-026);

WHEREAS, the student activities fee is for the students;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 332nd Student Assembly of William & Mary:

- 1. Allocates \$20,000 from the Student Assembly Reserves to pay for:
  - a. \$19,000 for the cost of a rapid flashing beacon, to be placed at the new crosswalk near the Arts Quarter and Lemon Hall on Jamestown Road
    - i. Following this, the City of Williamsburg will construct a new crosswalk near the Arts Quarter and Lemon Hall on Jamestown Road
  - b. \$1,000 to support a portion of the repainting of 27 crosswalks on campus
    - i. The College shall commit the majority of funding for this project (estimated at upwards of \$18,000)
- 2. Reaffirms Student Assembly's commitment to improving safety on campus
- 3. Stipulates that all unused funds go back to the Student Assembly Reserves



### References

1. Fitzpatrick et al. "Will You Stop for Me? Roadway Design and Traffic Control Device Influences on Drivers Yielding to Pedestrians in a Crosswalk with a Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacon." Report No. TTI-CTS-0010. Texas A&M Transportation Institute, (2016).