U.A. Resolution # 13

Risley Crosswalk Resolution

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Sponsored by: Christopher Schott, Undergraduate; Chair, Campus Infrastructure Committee

On Behalf Of: Ian Wallace, Undergraduate; Chair, Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission and Savannah Lim, Undergraduate; Freshman Representative, Student Assembly

Whereas, the Student Assembly Infrastructure Fund Commission (SAIFC) has received multiple requests from students regarding the addition of a crosswalk on Thurston Ave by Risley over the multiple years;

Whereas, SAIFC has received two requests from students regarding the addition of the crosswalk during the 2017-18 school year;

Whereas, students, especially freshman, find crossing the road from Balch to Risley or vice versa to catch the bus to be extremely dangerous;

Whereas, in addition to being next to a bus stop, Risley constitutes both a residency and a dining hall;

Whereas, many students dangerously jaywalk across Thurston Ave by Risley;

Whereas, the Campus Planning Office has acknowledged the importance of a crosswalk at this location;

Whereas, there has been no official statement from administration regarding the crossing;

Whereas, there has been anticipated construction of the Risley Crosswalk that the SAIFC finds to be an unreasonable amount of time;

Whereas, that the SAIFC urges the administration to take swift action to implement a crosswalk;

Be it therefore resolved, that the SAIFC urges the administration to take swift action to implement a crosswalk;
Be it further resolved, that Cornell University recognizes the dangers of the crosswalk and promptly take action to ensure the safety of all students;

Be it further resolved, that the Campus Planning Office research student safety regarding the intersection of Cradit Farm and Thurston, specifically regarding the curb radius;

Be it further resolved, that Cornell University work with the City of Ithaca to construct a crosswalk that allows for students to walk safely across Thurston Ave;

Be it further resolved, that Cornell University release an official timeline regarding the implementation of a crosswalk on Thurston Ave between Risley and Balch Hall;

Be it finally resolved, that this resolution be forwarded to Leslie Schill and Steven Wolf.