



**Student Senate  
of the  
East Tennessee State University  
Student Government Association**



**SGA-131-11**

Mr. M. Dalton Collins and Ms. Alyssa Belanger present the following legislation to the East Tennessee State University Student Government Association on behalf of concerned on-campus residents occupying Buccaneer Ridge Phase III Apartments.

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND  
RESIDENCE LIFE TO RESTRICT BUILDING OPERATIONS CONDUCTED BY ITS  
CONTRACTORS CONSTRUCTING BUCCANEER RIDGE PHASE IV APARTMENTS  
IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE ITS OWN POLICY OF QUIET HOURS.**

**WHEREAS**, the mission statement of the Department of Housing and Residence Life at East Tennessee State University reads, “It is the Mission of the Department of Housing and Residence Life to provide housing, programs, and services that: Establish a setting that enables learning to take place, are affordable, enjoyable, safe, and well maintained, motivate students to participate in campus activities, connect academic work and resident living experiences to maximize student learning and development, and establish and foster a diverse, interactive learning community,” and;

**WHEREAS**, there have been complaints from numerous students residing in Buccaneer Ridge Phase III to members of this body regarding the incessant noise generated as a direct result of the construction of a new residential facility know as Buccaneer Ridge Phase IV in close proximity to Buccaneer Ridge Phase III, and;

**WHEREAS**, the cacophony begins in the early morning hours awakening student scholars residing in close proximity to the construction site and continues in to the evening as late as 10p.m., preventing these residents from achieving the necessary amount of sleep required to ensure successful completion of their academic coursework, and;

**WHEREAS**, the allowing of a contractor to violate a policy of the Department of Housing and Residence Life, who has contracted for the construction of such a site removes the respect and distinction such a valuable university department so richly deserves, and;

**WHEREAS**, by allowing such a distraction to occur by virtue of its hand, the Department of Housing and Residence Life has violated its own mission statement by not providing an enjoyable housing experience, by not providing a vehicle by which students may maximize their learning and development, and;

**WHEREAS**, student's request for an environment conducive to learning on the campus of East Tennessee State University should receive the highest possible consideration and should be honored if at all feasible.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 2010-2011 STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE OF THE EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:**

**Section 1.** The Student Government Association Senate, the elected representative assembly of the entirety of the student body, hereby respectfully requests the Department of Housing and Residence Life, Dr. Bonnie Burchett, Director, address the concerns of the students occupying on-campus residential facilities, especially those residing in Buccaneer Ridge Phase III, and limit the time period in which construction may occur to the Department of Housing and Residence Life's established quiet hours.

**Section 2.** It is further requested that the Department of Housing and Residence Life move with all due expedience to honor this sincere and fair request of the student body it serves.