

ASLMU Senate

Resolution SR 22-08

Proper Parking Lot Lighting

I. WHEREAS, Loyola Marymount University is committed to keeping their students safe by providing on campus security (Public Safety). They state, “The primary goal of Public Safety is always to keep the LMU community safe”.¹

II. WHEREAS, many outdoor parking lots on campus are not properly lit. This can lead to harm and/or assault. “Sexual crimes against women, including rape and sexual assaults. Often time assailants will attempt to commit their violent acts in dark parking lots or parking lot stairwell or wait until the victim in their vehicle”.²

III. WHEREAS, the university offers a first response team if students feel threatened or in danger, but in most cases fail to quickly respond. “Among undergraduate students, 26.4% of females and 6.8% of males experience rape or sexual assault through physical force, violence, or incapacitation”.³

IV. WHEREAS, most of the university’s options help for after an issue occurs. Implementing additional streetlamps to Hannon lot, Del Rey Lot, Doolan Lot, East Hall Lot and Daum Lot, can prevent issues and add security for students by being able to visualize their active surroundings at night.

V. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED ASLMU should communicate with Public Safety and Facilities Management departments the need for additional on campus streetlamps in parking lots to enhance student safety.

¹ University, Loyola Marymount. “FAQs.” *FAQs - Loyola Marymount University*, <https://safety.lmu.edu/about/faqs/>.

² “Parking Lot Assault Attorney - Downtown LA Law Group.” *Downtown LA Law Group - Downtown LA Law Group*, 10 Dec. 2020, <https://downtownlalaw.com/practice-areas/assault-and-battery-attorney/parking-lot-assaults-and-attack-attorney/>.

³ “Campus Sexual Violence: Statistics.” *RAINN*, <https://www.rainn.org/statistics/campus-sexual-violence>.


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