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Proposed Resolution on Smoking

- Whereas, Cigarette smoke contains over 4,700 chemicals, over 200 poisons, and over 50 human carcinogens; and
- Whereas, The Environmental Protection Agency has classified environmental tobacco smoke as a "Group A" Carcinogen – a substance known to cause cancer in humans; and
- Whereas, In 2004 there will be about 173,770 new cases of lung cancer in the United States: 93,110 among men and 80,660 among women.
- Whereas, In 2004 about 160,440 people will die of this disease: 91,930 men and 68,510 women; and
- Whereas, Lung cancer kills more people than breast cancer, colorectal cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and
- Whereas, More than 20,000 nonsmokers, predominantly female, are diagnosed with Lung Cancer in the United States every year; and
- Whereas, Secondhand smoke is the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States; and
- Whereas, The five-year survival rate for someone diagnosed with Lung Cancer is 15%; and
- Whereas, Exposure to the hazards of environmental tobacco smoke can be prevented by appropriate smoking regulations.

Therefore Be it Resolved that East Carolina University adopt a campus-wide ~~nonsmoking policy similar to a nonsmoking policy recently adopted at the Brody School of Medicine<sup>+</sup>.~~ This policy **that** would prohibit smoking in high traffic areas including entrances to buildings, all **exterior** stairwells, stairs, stairwell landings, elevator landings, and partially enclosed corridors outside of classrooms such as those in the new Science and Technology building. Such areas should have no-smoking signs, and faculty, staff and students should be made aware of nonsmoking policies.

Be it Further Resolved that the university designate smoking areas well away from high traffic areas with signage that states "designated smoking area".

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<http://www.ecu.edu/grouppractice/policymanual/administrative/a23-smoke-free.pdf>.

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