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## Sense of the Senate: MBTA Service Reductions

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# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

A Sense of the Senate Disapproving of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)'s Proposal to Eliminate Weekend E-Line Service.

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- Whereas:** On January 3, 2012, the MBTA released a series of service reduction proposals in an effort to cut their budget and prevent current deficits from increasing further; **AND**
- Whereas:** The MBTA's proposal to eliminate weekend T Service to Northeastern would minimize and restrict the student body's cultural contributions to the city of Boston; **AND**
- Whereas:** Both proposals include the elimination of the MBTA's Green E-Line weekend service which includes the "Northeastern" T-stop; **AND**
- Whereas:** The MBTA's Green line is used by the entire Northeastern student body to travel throughout the downtown Boston area; **AND**
- Whereas:** The E-line provides students and residents with safe and timely weekend access to the Museum of Fine Arts, Symphony Hall, the Fenway and the residential areas of Longwood and the Mission Hill area; **THEREFORE**

## BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Northeastern University undergraduate student body opposes any MBTA budget plan that eliminates vital resources to students and the community in the form of service reductions and cuts such as the elimination of weekend E-Line service.

## AND FURTHER THAT:

The Northeastern University undergraduate student body support initiatives that holistically limit fare increases for both students and community members and prevents service reductions and cuts so as to meet the academic, professional and personal public transportation needs of the Boston community.

## AND FURTHER THAT:

The Student Government Association will represent the student body on all matters related to the MBTA budget plan and will inform students on the process and new developments as they occur.

## AND FURTHER THAT

The student body is open to working with the MBTA on solutions to these budget issues while sustaining functionality of the E-Line for the foreseeable future.



*Respectfully submitted to the Senate,*

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Senator, College of Business Administration

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*ATTEST:*

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