

All University Student Association Resolution 5-14

Police Body Cameras

1. **WHEREAS**, recent events across the country, including Ferguson, MO have highlighted a need for police to wear body cameras to shed light on incidents where ambiguity may otherwise exist.
2. **WHEREAS**, students across the Indiana University system have engaged in discussions around the recent events, some included dialogue between students and police departments. (<http://tinyurl.com/I9h6737>)
3. **WHEREAS**, IUPUI Chief of Police Bob True has informed IUPUI student governance that any proposal for body cameras on police would need to be made at the University level.
4. **WHEREAS**, AUSA is the university-wide student governance group, and is therefore uniquely qualified to tackle this university-wide issue.
5. **WHEREAS**, Bloomington Police Department just recently started issuing personal video cameras, or body cameras, to officers (<http://tinyurl.com/I9h6737>)
6. **WHEREAS**, IMPD is already testing body cameras. (<http://tinyurl.com/p8m5ntm>)
7. **WHEREAS**, localities across the state are already testing and implementing body cameras on police officers.
8. **WHEREAS**, Indiana University can look to a plethora of police departments for guidance on feasibility and implementation of body cameras.
9. **WHEREAS**, President Obama has requested that Congress authorize \$263 Million for police body cameras and training. (<http://tinyurl.com/kltljm2>)
10. **WHEREAS**, This program is the product of a series of meetings with President Obama, law enforcement personnel, civil rights leaders and Cabinet officials to discuss possible reforms to ease mistrust towards police. (<http://tinyurl.com/kltljm2>)
11. **THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the AUSA supports the adoption body cameras on all IU law enforcement personnel as soon as feasible.