



Resolution 25-07

“Flow Forward”

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Whereas:	The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) has seen an increase in its women student population, making up a significant portion of the student body, and as such, the need for accessible health and hygiene resources is critical to maintaining an inclusive and supportive campus environment; and
Whereas:	In 2022, UTA increased the number of feminine hygiene product dispensers on campus from 9 to 33, however, many students continue to face barriers due to dispensers not being consistently restocked, a lack of access in critical areas, and limited availability during non-office hours, these challenges undermine the effectiveness of the initiative and leave students unable to meet basic hygiene needs; and
Whereas:	The UTA Health Services website lists over 70 locations offering free menstrual products, but this information has not been reflected on the UTA map leaving students uncertain about where to find stocked dispensers and highlighting gaps in accessibility; and
Whereas:	The UTA Health Center provides free feminine hygiene products upon request at the front desk, yet this service is inaccessible during evenings, weekends, or for students experiencing urgent needs outside of office hours, creating disparities in availability; and
Whereas:	Universities such as Texas Woman’s University, Princeton University, and UCLA have implemented sustainable programs to provide free menstrual products across their campuses, resulting in improved student well-being, equity, and health, UTA should follow these successful models to ensure all students, particularly those facing financial hardship, have equitable access to essential hygiene resources; and

Be It Therefore Resolved That:	The University of Texas at Arlington will provide free feminine hygiene products in all women's and non-gendered restrooms located in high-traffic buildings and public dorm areas, such as the CONHI Smart Hospital, University Hall, Science Hall, and the University Center, with products placed near sinks for visibility and ease of access; and
Be It Further Resolved that	UTA will update the Health Services website with accurate and verified information on dispenser locations and availability, establish a communication channel for students to report restocking needs as this initiative will focus on equitable distribution and sustainability to meet the needs of the student body effectively.