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CONSOLIDATED STUDENTS
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS
55th Legislative Session

SENATE RESOLUTION 55-05

AN ACT IN SUPPORT OF A SECOND PRAYER ROOM AT UNLV

Resolution Number: SR 55-05

Authors of Legislation: Nadya Perez Martinez, College of Sciences

Sponsor of Legislation: CSUN Senate, Nancy Muñoz, Associate Director of DEI & Advocacy

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (CSUN) represents all 27,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; and

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, under the authority of CSUN Constitution VI.D.01, is “empowered to enact any legislation that falls under the jurisdiction of CSUN”; and

WHEREAS, CSUN advocates for an inclusive campus environment that supports the diverse religious, cultural, and personal needs of all undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, the Muslim Students’ Association (MSA) identified the need for additional prayer space, as many students are required to in the corners of the Sciences and Engineering Building due to the long distance of the first prayer room; and

WHEREAS, the Student Affairs has responded by establishing a second designated prayer room, located on the north side of campus, to ensure that students have a safe, accessible, and welcoming environment to practice any faith; and

WHEREAS, this addition reflects UNLV’s mission to foster diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging for all students;



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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CSUN Senate formally expresses its support for the establishment of the second prayer room at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

ADDENDUM A

Current Situation

At this moment, a lot of students who need to pray at the Engineering / Science side of UNLV, there is no designated room for students to pray at. So students currently pray in the corners of the building. For your information,

- The buildings don't clean the corners of the building, so there tends to be a lot of dirt and dust in the locations that they pray.
- In the Muslim community, if their shoes are dirty, they need to take them down.
- Students carry different sizes of mats for praying, so the mat can be a mat that covers the whole body or a small mat that will only be used for the head to not hit the dirty floor.
- Around the areas that students pray, they are dealing with chemicals, electricity, so there is a risk of the students getting hurt.
- Due to the long distance of the first prayer room, which is located at the Student Union, students are forced to pray at the Engineer/Science side of UNLV.


ADDENDUM B

Different Sizes of Praying Mats



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Praying mats come in various sizes, including **standard**, **kids'**, and **travel-sized**, to accommodate different needs. Standard mats are the most common for adults, while smaller mats are made for children, and compact, foldable mats are available for travel. 



Size	Dimensions (approximate)	Best for
Standard	64 cm x 120 cm (25 in x 47 in)	Individual prayer
Kids'	47 cm x 85 cm (18.5 in x 33.5 in)	Children
Travel	Varies, but compact and foldable	On-the-go use
Large	Up to 4 ft x 6 ft (1.2 m x 1.8 m)	Accommodating family prayers or communal use



ADDENDUM C

The Distance from the Engineering / Science Buildings to the Student Union



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Thomas T. Beam Engineering Complex, 4

Student Union & Event Services, 4505 S

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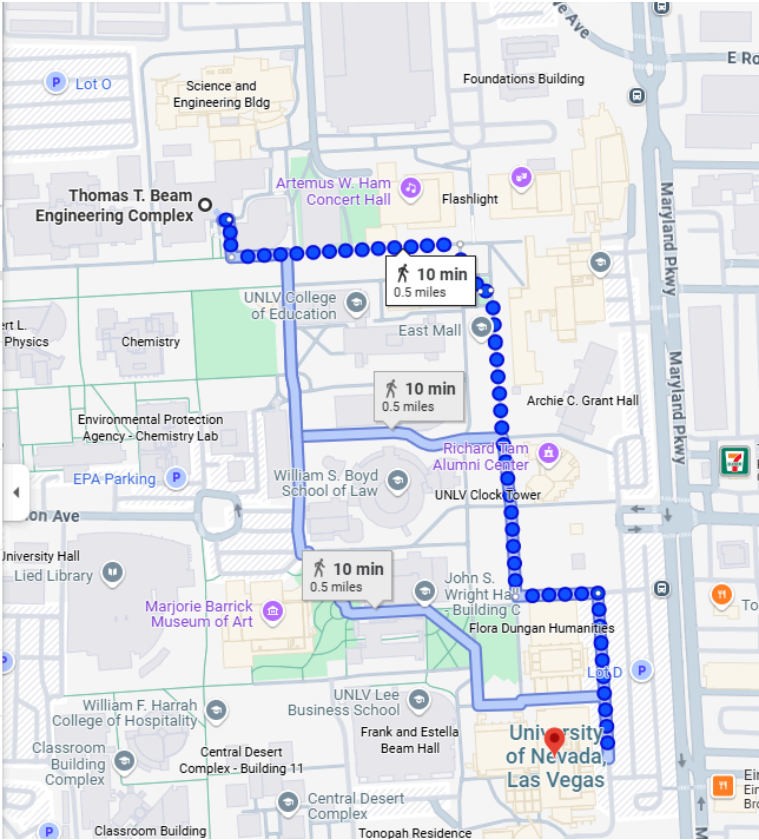
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All routes are mostly flat

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SR 55-05, ADOPTED by the Senate on this ____ Day of ____, 20__

Sharon Flores, Senate President

Liana Wieand, Senate Secretary

SR 55-05 , APPROVED on this ____ Day of ____, 20__ by

Kelechi Odunze, Student Body President