

**RESOLUTION NO.: 079-15**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BESSEMER, ALABAMA  
IN SUPPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT  
BIRMINGHAM FOOTBALL PROGRAM AND  
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

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**WHEREAS**, the economic impact of the University of Alabama at Birmingham, (sometimes referred to as "UAB"), benefits the City of Birmingham and the surrounding municipalities, including the City of Bessemer, Alabama;

**WHEREAS**, many residents of the City of Bessemer currently attend or have attended the University of Alabama at Birmingham;

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama believe in and support the values and community which athletics, the marching band, spirit and cheering squads provide to the college environment and experience; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama now desire to express their support for reestablishing and reinstating the University of Alabama at Birmingham Football Program and to express their support, generally, for the various extracurricular activities at the University of Alabama at Birmingham including, but not limited to, athletics, the marching band, spirit and cheering squads.

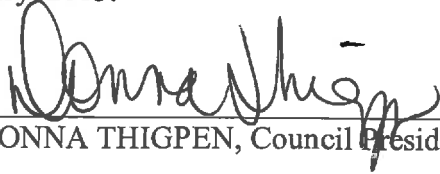
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BESSEMER, ALABAMA, as follows:**

1. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama, hereby respectfully urge the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama System and the President of the University of Alabama at Birmingham to do all things reasonable and necessary to reestablish and reinstate the University of Alabama at Birmingham Football Program.

2. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama, hereby further respectfully urge the University of Alabama at Birmingham alumni, the current student body of the University of Alabama at Birmingham as well as the local business community to take all steps reasonable and necessary to support the sports programs of the University of Alabama at Birmingham through attendance and donations of time and/or financial resources to ensure the uninterrupted continuation of such sports programs and extracurricular activities of the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption as required by law.

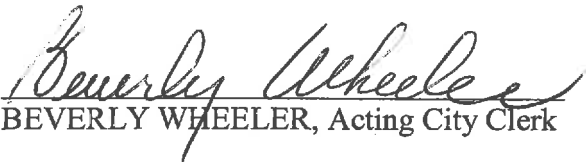
**ADOPTED** this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.

  
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DONNA THIGPEN, Council President

**APPROVED** this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.

  
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KENNETH E. GULLEY, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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BEVERLY WHEELER, Acting City Clerk