



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

THE SIXTY EIGHTH STUDENT SENATE

Resolution 34

Sponsored by Senators: Crager, Whyte, Holzmann

WHEREAS: On April 8th, 2015, Resolution 26 was passed stating that the Office of Student Sustainability will serve as an umbrella organization for sustainability and environmental-related RSOs; therefore, it will promote the Take Back the Tap initiative, and

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association has installed and utilizes a hydration station in the Student Government Association Offices, and

WHEREAS, On February 25th, 2015, 82% of student voters supported a referendum that aims to promote environmental health and sustainability at Florida State University, and

WHEREAS, The mission for the Take Back the Tap Initiative is to produce and augment awareness regarding the social, economic, and environmental impacts of disposable water bottles. Simultaneously, the organization's goals include actively facilitating the process of transitioning away from drinking single-use bottled water and into drinking clean, safe tap water from reusable containers, and

WHEREAS, The Take Back the Tap campaign is committed to holding events that support the initiative's main objectives. The organization will table and host interactive events that engage and educate students on how to mitigate their use of disposable plastic water bottles and adopt sustainable behaviors, and

WHEREAS, Take Back the Tap will assist on-campus organizations while they transition toward using reusable water bottles at their events and meetings, and

WHEREAS, It is recognized that single-use, plastic water bottles are an unsustainable product that negatively affects the environmental sector, as well as the social and economic sectors, and

WHEREAS, Having access to clean, safe drinking water is a human right and all students should be provided easier access to tap water, which can be accomplished with implementing more hydration stations, and

WHEREAS, Florida State University has committed and devoted its time and resources toward fostering a sustainable environment that benefits the entire campus community. In order to further promote this commitment, the University should pursue environmental stewardship throughout FSU's departments and organizations by offering alternative and sustainable opportunities for water consumption across campus, and

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association's Office of Student Sustainability will support Take Back the Tap's objective to promote the use of reusable water bottles on campus, along with the process of phasing out disposable plastic water bottles on campus, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SIXTY-EIGHTH STUDENT SENATE AT THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

The Florida State University's Student Government Association and Student Senate supports Take Back the Tap's goal to promote the use of reusable water bottles, hydration stations on campus, and encourages the campus community, recognized student organizations and the administration, to phase out plastic water bottles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

A copy of this resolution is sent to:

Mr. Nathan Molina, Student Body President
Ms. Erin Lusaka, Senate President
Mr. Joseph Meyer, Interim Supreme Court Chief Justice
Mr. Dennis Bailey, Senior Associate Vice President for Facilities
Mr. John McQuillan, Director of Inter-Residence Hall Council
President John E. Thrasher, President of Florida State University

OFFICIALS: _____
Student Senate President

Student Senate Program Assistant

PASSED: 19th of October, 2016