



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

73RD STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 24
Primary Sponsor: Stinson

Whereas: On April 29th, 2020, Florida State University student Toluwani "Tom" Idowu passed away after suffering from a cardiac arrest while on a jog, and

Whereas: According to the American Heart Association 2017 Annual Report, over 356,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur annually with a fatality rate around 90%, and

Whereas: According to that same report, defibrillation was used in only 6% of those cardiac arrests, and

Whereas: The AHA reports that early intervention and defibrillation can increase chances of survival by over 50%, and

Whereas: The Florida State University 2017-2022 Strategic Plan lists "Recognizing students with mental, physical and financial health concerns and creating a matrix of services that emphasize early intervention and appropriate referral and care" under Goal IV and V Student Success, Initiative C of "Creating an Environment that Encourages Healthy Behaviors and Wellness" and Tactic "Create Pathways for Health Interventions", and

Whereas: Florida State University Residence Halls do not currently have Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), and

Whereas: Florida State University Resident's Assistants are not currently CPR certified, and

Whereas: According to the American Red Cross, research indicates that each minute that defibrillation is delayed, the victim's chance of recovery is reduced by approximately 10 percent, and

Whereas: Expanding prevention and intervention measures could save the lives of students like Tom who suffer cardiac arrest, and

Whereas: Tom left a legacy of love, compassion and faith that will be forever be cemented in the history of FSU, therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-third Student Senate at Florida State University that: Honoring the life and legacy of Tom Idowu, the Student Government Association takes an active role in preventing cardiac arrest by implementing the following initiatives through the Tom Project:

- 1) Implementation of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in each of the residence halls on campus
- 2) Collaborating with the Executive Branch to expand CPR certifications on campus for students, staff, and residential assistants
- 3) Working with the Medical Response Unit to fund free CPR certification for FSU students
- 4) Sponsoring a cardiac screening day that would offer EKG tests to students at no charge

Be it further resolved that: A copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

Dr. Brandon Bowden, Interim Director of Student Governance & Advocacy
Jonathan Levin, Student Body President
Alexander Harmon, Senate President
Renee Wang, Senate Pro Tempore
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs
Sofia Slimak, Secretary of Student Life
Luke Vari, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity Chapter President
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Alexander Harmon

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Student Senate President

**SENATE VOTE: Unanimous Consent
PASSED: March 17th, 2021**