



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

## 73<sup>RD</sup> STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

**Resolution #: 38**

**Primary Sponsor:** Soto

**Co-Sponsor(s):** Marcus, Gabadage, Lewis, Nemeth, Flashman, Hadley, Pfeuffer-Ferguson, Hunter, Tackett, Myers, Roy, Nasworthy, Garcia, Bowling, Gonzalez

**Whereas:** June is considered as "Pride Month" in the United States and Canada, as well as all over the world, to commemorate the Stonewall riots that occurred in New York City in June of 1969 due to police harassment amongst the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community, and

**Whereas:** The Pride Student Union at Florida State University was formed shortly after the Stonewall riots as the "People's Coalition for Gay Rights" in 1969 and then finally became the Pride Student Union in 2005, and

**Whereas:** The Pride Student Union at Florida State University celebrates its Pride Month in October of each year by planning and hosting events all month, as well as paying guest speakers to share their testimonies and words of encouragement, and

**Whereas:** Students that identify under the LGBTQ+ community have reported that they do not feel safe on campus due to the lack of inclusivity and some students have reported that slurs and rude remarks were made at them for embracing who they are as individuals, and

**Whereas:** Faculty and staff members that work for Florida State University do not have as many resources and support than students that attend Florida State University, which includes counseling services, and

**Whereas:** The 73rd Student Senate has members that are a part of the LGBTQ+ community in both the Senate Chambers and its constituencies, and

**Whereas:** Senators have been cyberbullied and discriminated against by other students that attend Florida State University

**Whereas:** The events that happened during the summer of the 72nd Student Senate term were very traumatic for both the LGBTQ+ and Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities, therefore

**Be it resolved by the Seventy-third Student Senate at Florida State University that:** Both the worldwide Pride Month in June and Florida State University's Pride Month in October must be recognized within the Florida State University Student Senate and within the Student Body, and

**Be it further resolved that:** The Seventy-third Student Senate is highly encouraged and urged to practice the use of inclusive language and the use of personal pronouns to make the Senate Chambers as inclusive as possible, and

**Be it further resolved that:** The Seventy-third Student Senate Press Secretary is encouraged to publicize posts and items relating to Pride Month and consult Senators that identify under the LGBTQ+ community if there is anything that they should revise, publicize, and/or consult specific people or databases, and

**Be it further resolved that:** The Seventy-third Student Senate is highly encouraged and recommended to attend the "Allies and Safe Zones" training or a training similar to that of the "Allies and Safe Zones," and

**Be it further resolved that:** The Seventy-third Student Senate will take appropriate action if there is any word of Senators bullying or discriminating other Senators and/or students, faculty, and/or staff, and

**Be it further resolved that:** The Seventy-third Student Senate President should create an ad-hoc based of senators and non-senators for the LGBTQ+ community on Florida State University's campus to advocate for a better and more accepting community for students, as well as faculty and staff, and

**Be it lastly resolved that:** A copy of this resolution be sent to the following:  
Nastassia "Tazzy" Janvier, Florida State University Student Body President  
Colbi Thykadavil, Florida State University Student Body Vice President  
Khaleel Gray, Florida State University Student Body Treasurer  
Alexander Harmon, Florida State University Student Senate President  
Abril Hunter, Florida State University Student Senate Pro-Tempore  
Dr. Felicia Williams, Florida State University Director of Student Engagement  
Dr. Amy Hecht, Florida State University Vice President of Student Affairs  
Grace Wilson, Florida State University Pride Student Union Advisor

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*Alexander Harmon*

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Student Senate President

**PASSED: June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021**