



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

75th STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 45

Primary Sponsor: Widmann

Co-Sponsor(s): Barrett, Dlugos, Garrison, Humberg, McEntyre, Newsome, Pruum, Walerio

Date: April 25th, 2023

Whereas: Ms. Jacalyn Butts has been a valued resource within the Student Senate, Congress of Graduate Students, Transfer Leadership Institute, Freshman Leadership Institute, and the entire student body of the Florida State University for over three years, and

Whereas: Ms. Jacalyn's leadership and guidance has allowed for student leaders to grow their leadership skills while also creating positive change for FSU students and the greater Tallahassee area, and

Whereas: Senate President Samuel Diaz testifies: "Ms. Jacalyn Butts first welcomed me into the SGA space while I was a member of the Freshman Leadership Institute, and I knew from then that she was an incredibly friendly and helpful individual that I knew I would be able to go to when needed. Little did I know that she would become my advisor when I first got elected to Senate, and would help me navigate Student Government when I wanted to enact change most. Since becoming President, every week, we've gotten together to discuss the rumblings and happenings of the Senate chambers, discuss ways to improve SGA services, and she's been present for countless conversations I and others have had with Student Affairs administration on ways to leave FSU a better place than we found it. Throughout my life, I've come to learn that the best leaders are those that find the inner leader in others, and motivate their followers to do their best work. I'm proud to say that Ms. Jacalyn has done that for me and countless others. We will be sad to see her go, and I am happy to recognize her for her service to Florida State University," and

Whereas: Senate President Pro-Tempore Patrick DuChêne testifies: "Jacalyn's support and guidance as I grew in my role as Pro-Tempore were crucial to building the confidence I needed to succeed. Her encouragement and ability to listen and reason brought down the temperature and allowed a level of human connection and understanding that can be rare in the midst of SGA drama. Jacalyn, I'll miss you and your laugh so much. Thank you for putting up with us; we're forever grateful for you," and

Whereas: Senate Clerk Sofia Binjaku testifies: "While I have not known Jacalyn for very long, she was one of the first people that welcomed me into the senate. She has invited me to sit with her during senate meetings, walked me through the whole Senate Clerk position, and answered any questions I had. She made me feel comfortable in the chambers and I know that she is someone I can always go to. Jacalyn, wherever you go next, they are lucky to have you. Thank you for everything," and

Whereas: Senate Parliamentarian Reghan Chartrand testifies: "Jacalyn is an amazing advisor and resource for students and is always making sure that our senate meetings remain in order. She isn't afraid to give us well needed critiques and always pushes everyone to be the best we can be in our positions while also always acknowledging that we are students first," and

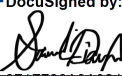
Whereas: Senator Marshall Widmann testifies: “The first time I met Ms. Jacalyn Butts was at FSU new student orientation in Fall of 2022, which is when I first learned about Student Government and had the opportunity to be in SGA. I had no idea that I would later have the privilege to work alongside her to make FSU better than the way I found it. I am forever grateful for the lessons I have learned within the Student Government Association, and attribute many of those lessons to the leadership and guidance provided by Ms. Jacalyn,” and

Whereas: Supervisor of Elections Spencer Greenwood testifies: “Jacalyn was one of the first people I met at FSU, and she was extremely welcoming to a new transfer student like me. Her kindness and professionalism are felt in every room she walks in. She is always making sure we’re okay both mentally and physically demonstrating her immense care. She will be sorely missed, and her successor will have big shoes to fill,” therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-fifth Student Senate at Florida State University that: We recognize and thank Ms. Jacalyn Butts for the incredible work she has done in service to the Department of Student Governance and Advocacy and the legacy that she has made on the Florida State University, and

Be it further resolved that: A copy of this resolution be sent to:
Jacalyn Butts, Assistant Director of Student Governance & Advocacy
Dr. Felicia Williams, Director of Student Engagement
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs

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Student Senate President

**Senate Vote: PASSED BY ACCLIMATION
PASSED: April 26th, 2023**