



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

75th STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 50

Primary Sponsor: Hellman, Pedraja
Co-Sponsor(s): Arellano, Kerley, Patel, White
Date: June 8, 2023

Whereas: the Fourth of July, also known as Independence Day, is a significant and cherished national holiday in the United States, commemorating the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, 1776; and

Whereas: the Fourth of July holds deep historical and cultural importance for Americans, symbolizing the birth of the United States as an independent nation, founded upon the principles of liberty, democracy, and equal rights for all; and

Whereas: the Fourth of July is a time for citizens across the country to come together in celebration, fostering a sense of unity and pride in our shared heritage as Americans; and

Whereas: the Fourth of July provides an opportunity for reflection on the sacrifices made by our forefathers, who fought valiantly for our freedom and laid the foundation for the democratic principles that we hold dear; and

Whereas: Florida State University (FSU) values and embraces diversity, promoting an inclusive environment that encourages cultural understanding and appreciation; and

Whereas: the Student Senate recognizes the importance of commemorating and celebrating significant national events to foster a sense of belonging and camaraderie among its students, faculty, and staff; and

Whereas: the Student Senate seeks to promote a spirit of patriotism, civic engagement, and historical consciousness among the student body; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Seventy-fifth Student Senate at Florida State University that: we celebrate and recognize America's Independence Day on July 4th, 2023, with great enthusiasm and pride; and

Be it further resolved that: that the Seventy-fifth Student Senate encourages all members of the FSU community to observe and honor Independence Day, whether through participation in local parades, fireworks display, community events, or personal reflection on the significance of this historical milestone; and

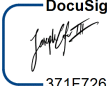
Be it further resolved that: that the Seventy-fifth Student Senate encourages student organizations, campus departments, and residence halls to organize educational activities, cultural events, or discussions that explore the history, values, and impact of the Declaration of Independence and the subsequent establishment of the United States of America; and

Be it further resolved that: that the Seventy-fifth Student Senate calls upon the university administration to support and promote these activities and events, ensuring their accessibility and encouraging wide participation from the Florida State University community; and

Be it further resolved that: that the Seventy-fifth Student Senate urges the Florida State University community to approach Independence Day as an opportunity to reflect on our shared responsibility in upholding the principles of liberty, justice, and equality that define the United States, and to actively engage in conversations about how we can continue working towards a more inclusive and equitable society.

Be it lastly resolved that: A copy of this resolution be sent to:
Dr. Richard McCullough, President of Florida State University
Dr. Felicia Williams, Director of Student Engagement
Andrew Johnson, Program Director of Student Governance and Advocacy
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs at Florida State University
Jack Hitchcock, Student Body President
Joseph Cofer, Summer Student Senate President

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Student Senate President

**SENATE VOTE: PASSED BY ACCLIMATION
PASSED: June 28th, 2023**