



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

76th STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 23

Primary Sponsor(s): Castellanos, Larancuent

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Date: February 5, 2024

Whereas: Approximately 8.6% of Florida State's population is composed of Black or African American people, equating to 3,706 out of 43,701 students, and

Whereas: The Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement (CARE) at Florida State University has been crucial in offering assistance during the transition to higher education and promoting fairness for students belonging to traditionally marginalized groups. CARE is largely composed of minority communities, emphasizing its commitment to inclusivity and support for underrepresented identities in academia, and

Whereas: The CARE Precursor programs, Horizon Unlimited and Summer enrichment programs were established in 1968 and 1972 to directly support black and other minoritized students that began integrating the University. CARE has provided pathway into the Universities greatest leaders and black alumni with positions such as Student Body SGA Presidents, Black Alumni who are world renowned leaders. As well as, improving Florida State's University's high retention and graduation rate, being vital factor in the school's success, and

Whereas: the Black Student Union at Florida State University, established in 1960 and is currently maintaining an active campus presence, including a dedicated house, steadfastly fulfills its mission to provide a secure and inclusive space for common concerns, ensuring that black students feel welcomed within the predominantly white institutions, and

Whereas: recognizing the significant impact of the Black Student Union as one of the largest and successful agencies at Florida State University, it is imperative to prioritize and enhance support for the organization in effectively showcasing its events throughout the academic year to the student body, ensuring inclusivity and meeting the diverse needs of its members and administrations, and


Whereas: recognizing the significance of Black History Month in celebrating and being conscious of the rich contributions of the Black Community, our institution must prioritize and enhance representation to foster a more inclusive and equitable learning environment, therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-Sixth Student Senate at Florida State University that: Florida State University recognizes and acknowledges the importance of Black History Month, and that it not only extends to this month but should be celebrated and upheld throughout the future years of this institution. This commitment reflects the appreciation for the African American and other marginalized groups affiliated on campus and dedicates itself to uphold an equitable campus for all.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to:

Richard McCullough, President at Florida State University
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs
Dr. Felicia Williams, Director, Student Engagement
Michael Alford, VP and Director of Athletics
Andy Johnson, SGA Advisor
Jack Hitchcock, Student Body President
Rodney Wells, Student Body Vice President
Michael Delcin, BSU Director
Serena Petit, BSU Assistant Director
Sierra Turner, BSU Advisor
Dr. De'Onte Brown, Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Director of CARE
Dr. Irvin Clark, PCB FSU BSU Advisor
Carl Dixon, PCB FSU BSU Advisor
Ahli Moore, President of Black Alumni Association
Sienna Burns, 76th Student Senate Press Secretary

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Student Senate President

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SENATE VOTE: 43-0-0
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