

Resolution

32nd Congress of Graduate Students

Resolution #: 3

Sponsored by: Speaker Rowan

Date: April 15, 2024

Whereas with the end of the Spring and Summer semesters, the Congress will be losing several outstanding Representatives to graduation, and

Whereas Susan Rogowski has commendably served the Congress in the roles of Speaker,
Deputy Speaker for Finance, and Representative for the College of Arts and Sciences;
she has successfully reinvigorated the Congress, ensured that COGS entities are in
compliance with COGS Code and Student Body Statutes; she has built up a strong
relationship between the Congress and the Graduate School; and she has spent
considerable time preparing to defend her doctoral thesis this summer, and

Whereas Jorge Galeano-Cabral has dutifully served as the International Student Advocate and a member of the FSU Quality Enhancement Committee; he has been a strong advocate for RSOs to receive funding, particularly for the RSOs at the College of Engineering; he has been a tireless advocate for the interests of our growing international graduate student population; and he has successfully defended his doctoral thesis in late March, 2024, and

Whereas Joshua Burns has proudly served as the Deputy Speaker for Finance and Representative for the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences; he has overseen the mammoth task of reimbursing graduate students who previously did not receive their travel grants due to technological issues; he has successfully steered the Congress through a budget process which included a substantial increase in topline spending, and

Whereas Chris Cyrille continues to greatly serve as the Representative for the Jim Moran College of Entrepreneurship and as a member of the Budget Committee; he has brought a fresh perspective, informed by his previous entrepreneurial successes; and he will be graduating at the end of the Summer 2024 semester, and

Whereas Nella Delva has continuously served as the Minority Student Advocate as well as the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs; she has successfully advocated for students in the College of Medicine and the broader graduate school and has often sought out hard conversations with interested parties across campus including the Childcare Center; and she has successfully applied for and been awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study

abroad in the 2024 - 2025 academic year; and she will be defending her doctoral dissertation in Summer 2024, and

Whereas Frank Velez has robustly served as a Representative for the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences; he has strenuously fought to ensure that RSOs have the opportunity to include cooking into their events; he has continued the fight, in spite of the multitude of roadblocks placed in front of him; and he has successfully defended his doctoral thesis during late March, 2024, therefore:

Be it resolved by the Thirty-Second Congress of Graduate Students: That the Congress gives its heartfelt thanks to Susan Rogowski, Jorge Galeano-Cabral, Joshua Burns, Chris Cyrille, Nella Delva, and Frank Velez for their dedication to the betterment of graduate students at FSU, and

Be it further resolved: That their work has truly been the embodiment of the spirit of Florida State University, and

Be it further resolved: That the Congress wishes them well in their future endeavors and are sure that they will be successful in their ventures, and

Be it further resolved: That the Congress will have to work extremely hard to fill the large voids they will leave, and

Be it finally resolved: That a physical copy of this resolution be presented to:

Susan Rogowski, COGS Speaker Emeritus, Jorge Galeano-Cabral, COGS Representative, Joshua Burns, COGS Deputy Speaker of Finance, Chris Cyrille, COGS Representative, Nella Delva, Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs Emeritus, and Frank Velez, COGS Representative.

Read: 04/15/2024

COGS Vote: 20-0-0

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Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students

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