STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2015-1041

TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Creation of a City of Gainesville and University of Florida Collaborative Bike Sharing Program

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WHEREAS, bike sharing is an innovative transportation program that allows users the ability to pick up a bicycle at any self-serve bike-station and return it to any other bike station located within the system's service area¹; and,

WHEREAS, the bike sharing program will be incorporated not only on the University of Florida campus, but also within the City of Gainesville; and,

WHEREAS, many college campuses and top universities, such as the University of Michigan, have developed bike sharing programs that are collaborative with a city entity²; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Florida and the City of Gainesville support bicycling as a more sustainable and healthier alternative mode of transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the bike sharing program would allow students to have a cheaper and more feasible mode of travel; and,

WHEREAS, a bike sharing program would be an integral part of the University of Florida and Gainesville community’s efforts to promote a more environmentally friendly campus and community; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the collaboration between the City of Gainesville and the University of Florida to establish a bike sharing program for on and off-campus.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Gainesville Mayor Ed Braddy, Gainesville City Commission, University of Florida President Kent Fuchs, University of Florida’s Transportation and Parking Services, University of Florida’s Business Services, University of Florida’s Office of Sustainability

¹ http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/programs/promote_bikeshare.cfm
² https://record.umich.edu/articles/u-m-partners-local-entities-bike-share-program