STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2016-103

TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Grand Opening of the J. Wayne Reitz Union Expansion

AUTHOR(S): Senator Ty Robare, Senate President Susan Webster

SPONSOR(S): Student Body Vice-President Kevin Doan, Senator Ian Green, Senator Katy Feldner, Senator Wayne Selogy, Student Body President Joselin Padron-Rasines, External Affairs Director Matthew Hoeck

WHEREAS, the J. Wayne Reitz Student Union enhances the student experience and enriches the campus community by providing dynamic learning opportunities, premiere programs, quality services, and outstanding facilities for students and the university community; and,

WHEREAS, the Reitz Union, in conjunction with Skanska USA Building Inc., has recently completed a $75 million renovation and expansion project meant to enhance student life; and,

WHEREAS, the renovation and expansion project has been made possible by the efforts of the student body and former Student Body Presidents Jordan Johnson, Ashton C. Adler, TJ Villamil, and Christina Bonarrigo; and,

WHEREAS, the renovated and expanded union facilities will address the inadequate space to meet the growing demands of the current student body; and,

WHEREAS, the project has allowed for major repairs of existing infrastructure and equipment in the facility; and,

WHEREAS, Multicultural and Diversity Affairs, the Center for Leadership and Service, and GatorWell Health Promotion Services will join the Reitz Union and enrich student diversity; and,

WHEREAS, student organizations will be able to have consistent, centralized meeting places with extensive seating; and,

WHEREAS, the new facilities will aid in achieving preeminence among student unions throughout the nation; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate sincerely thanks the student body, administration, and Skanska for their unyielding support of the renovation and expansion project; and,

---

1 https://www.union.ufl.edu/AboutUs/MissionValues
2 https://www.union.ufl.edu/AboutUs/RenovationExpansion/StudentSupport
THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the J. Wayne Reitz Student Union and the opportunities it now presents to students and staff to increase the value of student community, the growth of student organizations, and the national preeminence of the University of Florida.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Eddie Daniels, Executive Director of the J. Wayne Reitz Student Union; Cydney McGlothlin, Project Manager for Reitz Union Expansion and Renovation; Jordan Johnson, former Student Body President; Ashton C. Adler, former Student Body President; TJ Villamil, former Student Body President; and Christina Bonarrigo, former Student Body President.

Susan Webster 2/8/2016
Senator President