STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2017-116

TITLE: Resolution Recognizing the Services Provided by Gator Clubs to Graduates of the Gator Nation

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WHEREAS, Gator Clubs, an extension of the UF Alumni Association, provide a range of services and programs to graduates and other University of Florida community members; and,

WHEREAS, there are nearly one hundred Gator Clubs including locations in Costa Rica, Iraq, Thailand, South Korea, and other locations worldwide[1]; and,

WHEREAS, each Gator Club has viewing parties to cheer on our athletic teams, and events, such as educational and professional seminars, with UF coaches, administrators, and other UF speakers; and,

WHEREAS, Gator Clubs participate in International Gator Day, a service day dedicated to giving back to their respective communities; and,

WHEREAS, Florida Forward is a networking opportunity where leaders in the Gator Club community have the opportunity to provide positive input on student run events such as Gator Growl[2]; and,

WHEREAS, UF Alumni Association members receive many benefits, including discounts on textbooks and Disney, as well as others, that can be utilized statewide upon graduation[3]; and,

WHEREAS, Gator Clubs provide scholarships to rising freshman students attending the University of Florida; and,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes that Gator Clubs are critical to the development of the University of Florida alumni base.
THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate values the opportunities Gator Clubs provide to the current student base such as scholarships and other benefits locally.

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the University Alumni Association and Gator Club's continued contributions to students, alumni, and the entire Gator Nation.

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