STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2018-102

TITLE: Resolution Thanking Provost Joseph Glover for Restoring Library West and Newell Hall as 24/7

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WHEREAS, Library West has served Gators since 1967 as the Humanities and Social Sciences Library, providing students with 18 study rooms, over 200 computers and five floors of collaborative and/or quiet study space[i]; and,

WHEREAS, the recently renovated Newell Hall, built “by students, for students,” has encouraged students to collaborate, interact, focus and rejuvenate themselves through its ample study space and healthy food options[ii]; and,

WHEREAS, in order to fund Newell Hall to be open 24/7 and provide students with access to this modern, vibrant study space the University of Florida deemed it necessary to change Library West’s hours to 24/5; and,

WHEREAS, Student Government noted the students’ concerns about shortening Library West’s hours and gave them an opportunity to voice those concerns through iPad surveys available at both Newell Hall and Library West; and,

WHEREAS, Student Body President Meyers personally asked every University of Florida student for their input on the matter by sending them a link to the survey; and,

WHEREAS, Student Government heard the voice of the students and zealously advocated for both Newell Hall and Library West to be open 24/7; and,

WHEREAS, Provost Joseph Glover, wanting to provide students with the most resources possible, generously allocated the funds necessary to open Newell Hall and Library West 24/7; and,

WHEREAS, Newell Hall and Library West will be open 24/7 starting this semester; and,
THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the University of Florida Student Senate graciously thanks Provost Joseph Glover for his generosity in opening both Newell Hall and Library West as 24/7 study spaces.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Florida Student Senate thanks the entire student body for making this huge step possible by providing their feedback.

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED, that the University of Florida Student Senate encourages students to continue to speak their minds and reassures them that Student Government is always listening.

[Signature]

Ian Green
Senate President

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[ii] https://newell.dso.ufl.edu/about/

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Provost Joseph Glover, Student Body President Smith Meyers.