

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2009-1008

TITLE: Resolution Opposing the Ordinance No. 0-07-121 of the City of Gainesville, "Underage Prohibition in Alcoholic Beverage Establishments"

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WHEREAS, the University of Florida Student Senate objects City of Gainesville Ordinance NO. 0-07-121 which creates a new Article III of Chapter 4 of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances entitled "Underage Prohibition in Alcoholic Beverage Establishments"; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Student Senate does support this ordinance based on the fact that it restricts patronage of persons under 21 years of age in alcoholic beverage establishments under certain conditions which could ultimately shut down these venues; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Student Senate acknowledges that the persons under 21 years of age will be able to enter venues with entertainment permits; nonetheless, the penalties associated with the ordinance will eventually prohibit safe nightlife engagements of the underage population of students; and

WHEREAS, while the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes the intentions of the City of Gainesville, however we still feel it that it would be a detriment to the student population in Gainesville; then

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate opposes the "Underage Prohibition in Alcoholic Beverage Establishments" in order to protect the student's nightlife from a long term prospective