<u>Agenda Item:</u> RESOLUTION 1806 TO MAKE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (FIU-MMC) A STRAW-FREE CAMPUS

Date: Monday, July 16, 2018

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## RESOLUTION TO MAKE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (FIU-MMC) A STRAW-FREE CAMPUS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL OF THE MODESTO A.

MAIDIQUE CAMPUS OF FIU:

### **Section I: Policy**

The proposal outlined in this Council Resolution are in compliance with the authority granted in Article III, Section 5.A.1. of the Student Government Association Constitution;

### **Section II: Terms**

The following terms are defined as to ensure the legality of this resolution:

- a. "The Senate" refers to the Senate of the Student Government Council of the Modesto A. Maidique Campus at Florida International University,
- b. "Our University" refers to Florida International University,
- c. "SGC-MMC" refers to the Student Government Council at Modesto Maidique Campus,
- d. "MMC" refers to the Modesto A. Maidique Campus of Florida International University,

#### Section III: Resolution

WHEREAS, Florida International University is an an urban public research university that strives to serve its students and the diverse population of South Florida and is committed to collaborative engagement with our local and global communities,

WHEREAS, our University "[encourages] and [expects] the entire FIU Community to model the values as expressed in [our] mission and to commit to recruit, retain, and support students, faculty, and staff who reflect the diversity of our global society" according to the Diversity at FIU Center mission statement.

WHEREAS, Florida International University [has] vowed to take action and limit the impact that our administration, staff, faculty, and students have on our environment,

WHEREAS, in 2007, our fourth president, Modesto A. Maidique, signed the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment, paving the way for environmental sensitivity in our university and our community,

WHEREAS, in 2015, University President Mark B. Rosenberg and Age of Aquarius Vice President, student Salome Garcia attended a White House roundtable with dozens of other campus and business leaders, to highlight best practices to promote sustainability and address climate change on college campuses, as well as issuing a 6-page pledge low-carbon practices throughout the university

WHEREAS, The FIU Office of University Sustainability envisions FIU as a global leader in environmentally sustainable, economically feasible, and socially just practices,

WHEREAS, The FIU Office of University Sustainability encourages and facilitates the collaborative efforts of students, faculty, and staff to generate knowledge, acquire skills, develop values, and initiate practices that contribute to a sustainable, high quality of life on campus, in the state of Florida, and across the globe,

WHEREAS, The FIU Office of University Sustainability seeks to create a permanent position of leadership in sustainable practices through the creation of an Office of University Sustainability with the budgetary and administrative powers required to implement policies that make FIU a global model of environmental stewardship,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the SGC-MMC agrees in eliminating the use of straw on the MMC campus,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Florida International University will work towards eliminating the use of straw on the MMC campus,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED THAT, as of today we shall move forward with the intention of eliminating the use of styrofoam on the MMC campus,

Section IV: Enforcement

This Resolution shall be presented to the Student Body, the FIU Board of Trustees, the FIU Foundation Board, and all relevant committees on behalf of the Student Body by the SGC-MMC;

Section V: Enactment

This Resolution and all its contents shall be the official opinion of the SGC-MMC and upon passage by the SGC-MMC Senate and approval of the SGC-MMC Student Body President;

Section VI: Implementation

Upon the enactment of this Resolution, this shall be the official opinion and position of the SGC-MMC and shall make any prior legislation that conflicts with this legislation hereby null and void.



# RESOLUTION

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FIU-MMC STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL		
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Jose Luis Sirven, President		



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## PER SGC-MMC STATUTES, ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS AND PROCEDURES, SECTION 9.02 PROCEDURES (b) (ii)

"Once the legislation has been delivered to the President, they shall have five (5) business days to sign or veto legislation per Article III of the SGA Constitution."

### NO SIGNATURE HAS BEEN RECEIVED WITHIN FIVE (5) BSUINESS DAYS BY SGC-MMC PRESIDENT JOSE LUIS SIRVEN III

THEREFORE LET THIS LEGISLATION BE ENACTED.