Agenda Item: RESOLUTION 1808 TO DENOUNCE TURNING POINT USA AT FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

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Committee: None

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RESOLUTION TO DENOUNCE TURNING POINT USA AT FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF FIU:

Section I: Policy
The proposal outlined in this Council Resolution are in compliance with the authority granted in Article III, Section 4.G.I-X. And Section 5.A.2 of the Student Government Association Constitution;

Section II: Terms
The following terms are defined as to ensure the legality of this resolution:
   a. “SGA” will hereby refer to the Student Government Association at Florida International University,
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b. "The Senate" refers to the Senate of the Student Government Association at Florida International University,
c. "Our University" refers to Florida International University,
d. "SGA-MMC" refers to the Student Government Council at Modesto Maidique Campus,
e. "FIU" refers to Florida International University.

Section III: Resolution

WHEREAS, our University is 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,

WHEREAS, our University is committed to ensuring that instruction and services are delivered in a manner that is reflective and supportive of diversity as it relates to gender, socioeconomic status, gender identity, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, nationality, military status, sexual orientation, spirituality and cultural identity,

WHEREAS, our University is committed to building an academic community whose members represent and embrace diverse cultures, background and life experiences that reflect the multicultural nature of South Florida and the Global Society.

WHEREAS, our goal as a university is to build an intellectually vibrant climate that sustains the inclusiveness and engagement of our diverse community,
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WHEREAS, the Senate of the SGA-MMC vehemently denounces the comments that have been made by the Turning Point USA FIU chapter regarding women, victims of sexual assault, people of color, refugees and Muslim people,

WHEREAS, the Senate of the SGA-MMC states that these comments do not reflect the values or mission of our University,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Senate of SGA-MMC encourages the Florida International University to formally condemn Turning Point USA’s FIU chapter and their recent comments,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Senate of SGA-MMC requests an immediate removal of any recognition, presence, funding and privileges for Turning Point USA and for all future organizations that are found to foster a culture of hatred and intolerance incompatible with the values of our university,

Section IV: Enforcement
This Resolution shall be presented to the Student Body, the FIU Board of Trustees, the FIU Foundation Board, made public to the FIU Community, and all relevant committees on behalf of the Student Body by the SGA;

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

Section VI: Implementation
Upon the enactment of this Resolution, this shall be the official opinion and position of the SGA and shall make any prior legislation that conflicts with this legislation hereby null and void.
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Antonia Passalaqua, Speaker of the Senate

Samuel Santos, Author  
Victoria Larson, RLJC Chair

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Sabrina Rosell, President