

The 39th Session of the Student Body Senate

Florida International University

Miami, Florida

S.B. 03 015

Eco Engineering Act

IN THE SENATE

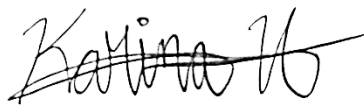
March 30, 2023

*University Sustainability & Innovation Chair Karina Hernandez introduced the following bill,
which was presented on the Senate floor*

A BILL

To Appropriate \$6,480.00 to pay for flights to the competition and the shipping of the vehicle to Indianapolis, Indiana by the competition start date of April 12, 2023 and end date of April 16, 2023.

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Body at Florida International University assembled,



Karina Hernandez

Whereas, the Eco Engineering Club at Florida International University aims to foster innovation and collaboration among students of all majors with a focus on sustainable technologies, and is committed to promoting education and creating a cleaner, more sustainable future for all.

Whereas, the Eco Engineering Club is participating in the Shell Eco-Marathon Competition, a global academic program focused on energy optimization and one of the world's leading student engineering competitions, where they will compete against universities and have chosen to participate in the Prototype division and compete with a battery-electric vehicle;

Whereas, the Eco Engineering Club is requesting support for travel costs associated with reaching the competition, which will impact 12 of the most highly committed students on the team, with a total amount requested of **\$4,680.00** to pay for flights to the competition, which includes 12 round-trip flight tickets from Miami, Florida to Indianapolis, Indiana, at a price per ticket of \$390.00;

Whereas, the club requires **\$1,800.00** for the purpose of shipping the designed electric vehicle prototype to the competition in Indianapolis, in addition to the cost of flights;

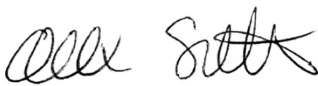

Whereas, Eco Engineering has received \$2,000.00 from the Engineering Campus, which will cover hotel and transportation for the 12 members attending the competition, and has raised \$14,800.00 from sponsorships throughout the year, which has led to the design, development, and construction of their electric vehicle;

Whereas, without the financial support of the Student Government Association (SGA), the Eco Engineering Club will not achieve their goal of reaching the Shell Eco-Marathon competition, which will severely hinder the future growth of their organization, since their funds are being actively used to develop and build their electric vehicle, and needing to cover travel expenses as well would deplete their budget, which will prevent them from developing and making improvements for the next vehicle.

Now Therefore, the Senate of the Student Body does resolve to expend **\$6,480.00** from the Legislative Line Item of the Student Government Association to the Eco Engineering Club for the purpose of covering the travel costs associated with reaching the Shell Eco-Marathon competition.

Senate Bill Transmission Form

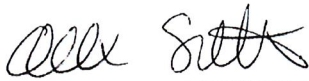
This bill is presented by the Senate of the Student Body at Florida International University. It is presented by the Senate President Pro-Tempore and affixed with the signature of the Senate President. Both the Senate President and the Senate President Pro-Tempore affirm that the information presented below is accurate and that the bill has successfully passed in the Senate of the Student Body. The bill is presented on this day and at this hour for signature or veto.

<i>SB 03 015</i>			
Date Introduced:	<i>03/21/2023</i>		
Committees Assigned:	(1) Rules and Administration Committee (2) Appropriations Committee		
Vote in Committee 1: <i>03/21/2023</i>	5 <i>For</i>	0 <i>Against</i>	0 <i>Abstaining</i>
Vote in Committee 2: <i>03/31/2023</i>	4 <i>For</i>	0 <i>Against</i>	0 <i>Abstaining</i>
Vote on the Senate Floor: <i>04/03/2023</i>	27 <i>For</i>	0 <i>Against</i>	0 <i>Abstaining</i>
 _____ Signature of the Senate President	 _____ Signature of the Senate President Pro Tempore		

Presidential Signature of a Senate Bill

On this day, at this time, and in this place, the Senate of the Student Body at Florida International University does hereby present this bill to the desk of the President of the Student Body for signature or veto. The Senate has passed this bill and all its accompaniments, in accordance with the Constitution and Statutes of the Student Government Association at Florida International University. It is presented in good faith, whereas the officers of the Senate have affixed their signatures to affirm that the bill has followed due procedure and is valid. The Senate will await your decision.

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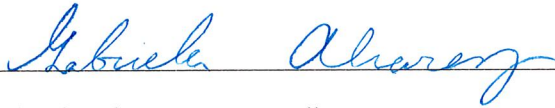
Alexander P. Sutton, Senate President



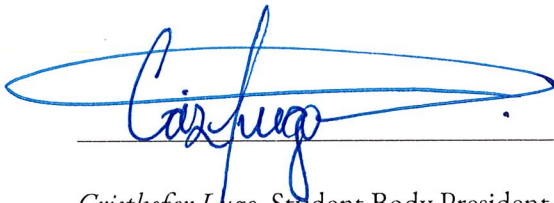
Zachary Stangl, Senate President Pro-Tempore



Fernando Melara, Senate Floor Leader



Gabriela Alvarez, Comptroller



Cristhofer Lugo, Student Body President



Approved

Vetoed