

The 39th Session of the Student Body Senate

Florida International University

Miami, Florida

S.R. 03 009

MyTextMate Act

IN THE SENATE

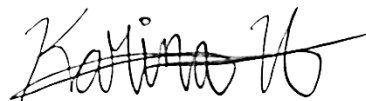
September 23, 2022

Sustainability Chair Karina Hernandez, Sustainability Vice-Chair Grace King, and Lower Division BBC senator John Boris, introduced the following resolution, which was presented on the Senate floor

A RESOLUTION

To encourage the adoption of MyTextMate service at FIU.

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



Karina Hernandez

Whereas, communication about assignment deadlines, exams, projects, and any other class responsibilities through Canvas and email is confusing and inefficient,

Whereas, FIU students who struggle with deadline management, in particular, those who have conditions, such as ADD or ADHD, would highly benefit from having an organized and timely reminder for their deadlines,

Whereas, students will benefit from an additional resource for academic success,

Whereas, the student body has expressed via survey response that text messaging is their preferred method of communication for school-related notifications,

Whereas, the MyTextMate Service is one that partners with Canvas and upon permission of the student, sends text messages to remind them of important class deadlines,

Whereas, 98 out of 115 students indicated via survey response that they would likely use this service,

Whereas, students feel more urgency through text messages versus Canvas notifications and email messaging,

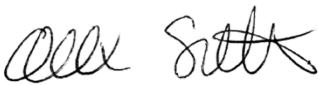

Whereas, professors and class instructors who do not already use Canvas, may still opt to use the service,

Whereas, at the conclusion of the test period, students who have opted into the service will receive a feedback survey for their experience with the service to determine if the service is useful and a needed expense,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Student Body that the incoming Student Government Association of 2023-2024 ought to allocate funding for the implementation of a test-run of MyTextMate for at least 1000 students, by means of an Appropriation, an Accumulated Cash Balance expenditure, or an Executive line item expenditure. Additional expenditures for MyTextMate ought to be determined after the conclusion of the initial 1000student test-run.

Senate Resolution Transmission Form

This resolution 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 resolution has successfully passed in the Senate of the Student Body. The resolution is presented on this day and at this hour for signature or veto.

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Date Introduced:	09/23/2022		
Committees Assigned:	(1) University Sustainability and Innovation Committee (2) Rules and Administration		
Vote in Committee 1: 09/23/2022	3 <i>For</i>	0 <i>Against</i>	1 <i>Abstaining</i>
Vote in Committee 2: 10/03/2022	4 <i>For</i>	0 <i>Against</i>	0 <i>Abstaining</i>
Vote on the Senate Floor: 04/10/2023	16 <i>For</i>	9 <i>Against</i>	1 <i>Abstaining</i>
 _____ Signature of the Senate President		 _____ Signature of the Senate President Pro Tempore	

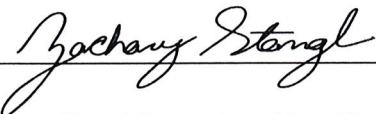
Presidential Signature of a Senate Resolution

On this day, at this time, and in this place, the Senate of the Student Body at Florida International University does hereby present this resolution to the desk of the President of the Student Body for signature or veto. The Senate has passed this resolution 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 resolution has followed due procedure and is valid. The Senate will await your decision.

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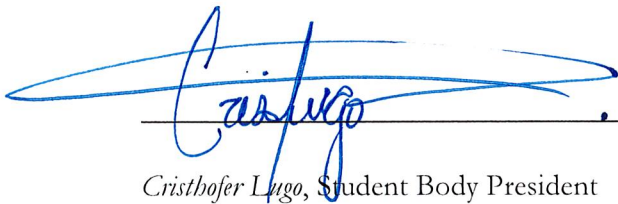
Alexander P. Sutton, Senate President



Zachary Stangl, Senate President Pro-Tempore



Fernando Melara, Senate Floor Leader



Cristhofer Lugo, Student Body President



Approved

Vetoed