

**STUDENT SENATE BILL 2019-1105**

**TITLE: Resolution Celebrating Grateful Gator Day**

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**SPONSOR(S): Senator Olivia Potthast, Senator Noemi Galeano, Senator Sparsha Muralidhara, Gator Caucus Leader Gabbi Hernandez, and Senator Julia Cordover**

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Cicerones are the official student ambassadors to the University of Florida, serving as active liaisons between prospective students, current students, alumni, and the larger University of Florida community [1]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the philanthropy of alumni and friends of the University helps raise UF's national ranking and provide greater opportunities for student advancement, faculty recruitment, and research; and,

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, gifts under \$500 accounted for over \$9.8 million in support for UF students, faculty, and programs, and in 2019, more than 102,000 alumni and friends of the University made donations [2]; and,

**WHEREAS**, each November for over three years, the Florida Cicerones have hosted a Grateful Gator Day to celebrate and display our gratitude for philanthropy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the fourth annual Grateful Gator Day was held on November 13, 2019 [2]; then,

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate celebrates the positive impact that philanthropic efforts of alumni and friends have made and continue to make at the University of Florida.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the Florida Cicerones in their ambassadorship of the University of Florida.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate proudly celebrates the fourth annual Grateful Gator Day.

*Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to University of Florida President W. Kent Fuchs, the University of Florida Alumni Association, and the Florida Cicerones.*

[1] <https://connect.ufalumni.ufl.edu/floridacicerones/new-item>

[2] <https://www.facebook.com/events/443661766508941/>