

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2021-1038

TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Expansion of the Fresh Food Farmers Market

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WHEREAS, There is a growing interest in advancing the expansion of locally-sourced and sustainable food options to the student body; and,

WHEREAS, University of Florida's Gator Dining and Business Services have launched a monthly Farmers Market at the Fresh Food Market this year to support local farmers; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Senate would like to partner with Gator Dining to further advance awareness of the market to the campus community; and,

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Farmers Market will benefit the student community by involving various student organizations within the project; and,

WHEREAS, the Farmers Market will strengthen partnerships with locally-sourced vendors that are continuing to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic by bringing their goods to campus; and,

WHEREAS, multicultural student organizations will be featured around the Farmers Market as they will be involved in the preparation of recipes that will embrace their heritage through these dishes; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Senate would like to bring engaging activities and local artists to the Farmers Market to further enhance the student experience; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the expansion of the Fresh Food Farmers Market on campus.

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes the importance of supporting local farmers, artists, and restaurants.

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that University of Florida Student Senate has a vested interest in further benefiting the Gainesville community and the interests of students on campus.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to University of Florida President W. Kent Fuchs, Provost Joseph Glover, Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. D'Andra Mull, Dean of Students Heather White, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Dean Elaine Turner, College of Arts Dean Onye Ozuzu, College of Health and Human Performance Dean Michael B. Reid.