

Student Senate

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STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2023-1046

TITLE: Resolution Commemorating the Life of Gabriel Jake Gutierrez

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SPONSORS: Majority Party Leader Evan E. Rafanan, Senator Hana Ali, Senator Nathaniel Pelton, Senator Ana Alvarez, Senator Simone Liang, Senator Anghelo Gangano, Senator Andrew Taramykin, Senator John Lin

WHEREAS, Gabriel Jake Gutierrez passed away this Spring semester; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel was an avid student at the University of Florida, majoring in Analytical Chemistry; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel Jake Gutierrez was a member of the Baritone section of the Gator Band; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel Jake Gutierrez was a first-year student and was on track to graduate from the University of Florida in the Spring of 2024; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel was described as "the glue that held the program together and kept it running" by his high school band director; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel was known as someone with upstanding character who always put others first; and,

WHEREAS, Gabriel's birthday is April 16, 2003; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes Gabriel's service and dedication to the University of Florida, the College of the Arts, the School of Music, and the Fightin' Gator Marching Band; and,

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recommends that the Dean of Students awards a posthumous degree to Gabriel Jake Gutierrez; and,

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recommends that a memorial be constructed in the Steinbrenner Band Hall to honor Gabriel Jake Gutierrez; and,

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate memorializes April 16 as a day of remembrance for the life and service of Gabriel Jake Gutierrez.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Associate Director of Bands John Watkins.

Oscar Santiago Perez

Senate President