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## STUDENT SENATE BILL 2025-1215

TITLE: Resolution to Express Shared Commitment and Relations Between UFPD and the Student Senate

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SPONSOR(S): Senator Andrew Larsen

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Police Department (UFPD) has played a significant role in protecting our community and giving students a voice; and,

WHEREAS, on October 2nd, UFPD, Student Government, university administration, and campus leaders conducted a safety walk of campus and nearby areas; and,

WHEREAS, on this walk, the group noted various safety concerns with a focus on lighting, crosswalks, and blue lights; and,

WHEREAS, these findings were compiled into a report that was recently delivered to the administration; and,

WHEREAS, UFPD, Student Government, university administration, and campus leaders used these findings to open discussions for campus safety reforms; and,

WHEREAS, on November 4th, UFPD hosted the weekly meeting for the University of Florida Student Senate at their local station; and,

WHEREAS, before adopting the agenda for the Student Senate meeting, UFPD led a tour of their facilities, explained the operations of UFPD, and updated the student leaders of the senate on the productivity of the safety walk; then,

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes the crucial role the University of Florida Police Department plays in protecting the lives of all on our campus.

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate expresses our gratitude for the generous hospitality and support of the University of Florida Police Department.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate commemorates our shared commitment alongside the University of Florida Police Department to continue making strides towards campus safety.

Proviso: a copy of this resolution shall be sent to University of Florida Police Department Chief Bart Knowles (<u>bartknowles@ufl.edu</u>), Captain Trever Henderson (<u>dthenderson@ufl.edu</u>), and Captain Latrell Simmons (<u>latrellsimmons@ufl.edu</u>)

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