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STUDENT SENATE BILL 2026-1105

TITLE: Resolution Supporting "Park it Forward" in Collaboration with UF Transportation and Parking Services

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SPONSOR(S):

WHEREAS, a standard parking violation at the University of Florida costs $35 per ticket, with common violations including parking with no permit, parking with an invalid permit, back-in parking, and parking in an improper zone [1]; and,

WHEREAS, a person wishing to contest a citation must complete an online statement of appeal on the TAPS website within fifteen calendar days from the date of issuance [1]; and,

WHEREAS, when a student appeals a parking citation, they will now have the option to select "Park it Forward" during the appeal process; and,

WHEREAS, "Park it Forward" allows for students to turn eligible parking citations into an opportunity to give three hours back to the Gainesville community with an approved nonprofit; and,

WHEREAS, this program is limited to the first 500 students to opt in each term, with approved submissions resulting in the citation being dropped; and,

WHEREAS, "Park it Forward" alleviates a financial burden from students, while promoting community service and giving back to the local Gainesville community; and,

WHEREAS, all information may be found on the Transportation and Parking Services website, including approved volunteer opportunities, steps on how to participate, and terms and conditions [1]; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate expresses its gratitude to the UF Transportation and Parking Services for collaborating on this initiative, and for working diligently to implement it.

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate encourages further partnership with UF Transportation and Parking Services to continue to develop new initiatives to give back to the student body.

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes that this program will ease personal financial strain by actively serving the local community.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Jordan Drayton, UF TAPS Communication Specialist (jbdrayton@ufl.edu), Kevin Sowers, Associate Vice President for UF Business Affairs (kevin.sowers@ufl.edu), Louann Huynh, Senior Director of UF TAPS (louannhuynh@ufl.edu), and Mairead Baker, Associate Director of Finance and Information Technology (maireadbaker@ufl.edu).

[1] https://policy.ufl.edu/regulation/3-006/

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