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**University of Central Florida
Forty-Ninth Student Body Senate
Resolution 49-07**

[Resolution in Support of Florida House Bill 155]

.01 **WHEREAS**, Senate Rule 2.01 (G) (2) states that the Student Body Advocacy Committee (SBA) is to be in constant
.02 review of legislation at the national, state, and local level that affects the students at the University of Central
.03 Florida (UCF);
.04 **WHEREAS**, Senate Rule 5.01 (B) (2) states that a Resolution pertains to every measure expressing the sentiment of
.05 the Student Senate;
.06 **WHEREAS**, Florida House Bill 155 is an act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program;
.07 **WHEREAS**, Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program can provide up to \$103.00 per credit hour each semester
.08 (49% of UCF’s tuition and fees), which significantly helps students afford higher education;
.09 **WHEREAS**, Under the current regulations, students are unable to receive funding from the Florida Bright Futures
.10 Scholarship Program for more than two semesters per year, leaving many students unavailable to qualify for
.11 funding in the Summer Semester;
.12 **WHEREAS**, Students entering the State University System with fewer than 60 credit hours are required to enroll in
.13 a minimum of nine credit hours over the Summer semester at a State of Florida University;
.14 **WHEREAS**, Students may incur a financial hardship paying the full cost of tuition over the Summer Semester; and
.15 **WHEREAS**, Florida House Bill 155 amends Florida Statute 1009.53 for students to receive appropriate funding
.16 from the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program for the summer semester;
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.18 **THEREFORE, BE IT**
.19 **RESOLVED**, That it is the decision of the Forty-Ninth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida, on
.20 behalf of the UCF student body, to support Florida House Bill 155;
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.22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Florida Governor Rick Scott, Florida
.23 Senate President Joe Negron, Florida Speaker of the House Richard Corcoran, Florida Senate Committee on
.24 Education Chair Dorothy L. Hukill, Florida House of Representatives Education Committee Chair Michael Bileca,
.25 Florida House of Representatives Higher Education and Workforce Subcommittee Chair Elizabeth Porter, Florida
.26 House of Representatives Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee Chair Larry Ahern, Representative
.27 Carlos Smith, Representative Amber Mariano, Senator Linda Stewart, University of Central Florida President John
.28 C. Hitt, UCF Vice President of Student Development and Enrollment Services Dr. Maribeth Ehasz, UCF Student
.29 Body President Christopher Clemente, and Members of the UCF Board of Trustees.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES

Crystian Cepeda
Speaker of the Senate

2-16-2017
Date

Sharon Behar
Senate President Pro Tempore

2-15-17
Date