



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATE

SB [R] 60-005
COVID-19: Fact Over Fiction
60th Term
Semester



- A SENATE RESOLUTION -

The intent of this resolution is to recognize the severity of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as dispel certain myths related to the disease.

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Be it resolved by the Senate of the University of South Florida Student Government assembled,

Whereas, A coronavirus is an RNA virus that infects humans and typically causes an upper respiratory infection

Whereas, COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that first broke out in Wuhan, China in December 2019

Whereas, The outbreak of COVID-19 was officially declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020

Whereas, According to the World Health Organization as of March 23, 2020, there has been 332,935 cases of COVID-19 in 190 countries

Whereas, According to the World Health Organization as of March 23, 2020, there has been 14,510 confirmed deaths as a result of COVID-19

Whereas, COVID-19 is typically spread from person to person via droplet transmission (when a person sneezes, coughs, or talks)

Whereas, Anyone can be seriously affected by COVID-19 regardless of age or race

Whereas, COVID-19 is a unique disease and not equivalent to the common cold or flu

Whereas, Social distancing is a highly effective infection control method utilized to prevent COVID-19

Whereas, The majority of people who contract COVID-19 have or will recover

Whereas, The World Health Organization, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Florida Department of Health are the most reliable and credible sources for information regarding COVID-19

Therefore, The University of South Florida Student Government Senate strongly advises the student body to follow guidelines mandated by the World Health Organization, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Florida Department of Health, and the USF Covid – 19 website

Therefore, The University of South Florida Student Government Senate asks students to not return to campus, if possible, until instructed to do so by the Office of the President

Therefore, The University of South Florida Student Government Senate asks students to practice social distancing, proper handwashing technique, and respiratory etiquette so as to prevent transmission of COVID-19 in the USF community and beyond

Therefore, The University of South Florida Student Government Senate urges Governor Ron DeSantis to issue a statewide stay-at-home order as it will reduce the spread, flatten the curve, and shorten the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic in Florida

Therefore, The University of South Florida Student Government Senate is dedicated to supporting students through this pandemic to the best of its ability.

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to USF System President Dr. Steve Currall, Student Health Services, Center for Student Well-Being, Florida Board of Governors, and the Office of Parent and Family Engagement, Governor, Ron DeSantis, Mayor, Jane Castor.

Attest:

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