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RESOLUTION

Florida International University – Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus

Agenda Item: In Support of Mandatory “FIU Alerts!” during any on campus or local emergency

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Committee: Of the Whole

Date: January 23, 2012

In support of the mandatory “FIU Alerts!” during any on campus or local emergency

Whereas, The Student Government Association’s purpose is to ensure that student concerns are addressed in the immediate governance and policy developments of Florida International University, providing an official voice and action on behalf of the student body;

Whereas, The Emergency preparedness, response, and recovery procedures outlined in the Florida International University Emergency Management and Continuity of Operations Plan (EMCOP) are basic guidelines intended to afford protection of life and property through the coordinated and effective use of University and community resources;

Whereas, On Friday October 7th, 2011, an incident occurred resulting in a portion of the Modesto A. Maidique Campus of Florida International University being barred due to a dangerous situation;

Whereas, “FIU Alerts!” text messages were not issued to the student body during or after the emergency, thus, potentially placing students’ lives at risk by a lack of critical communication;

Whereas, Regardless of volume, as there are students on campus the Office of Emergency Management should not abstain from issuing “FIUAlerts!” text messages during a campus emergency;

Therefore be it Resolved: The Student Government Council at the Biscayne Bay Campus respectfully requests that it be mandatory for The Office of Emergency Management to issue “FIU Alerts!” text messages during the onset of an on-campus or local emergency.
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Denise M. Halpin, SGC – BBC President