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University of Central Florida Fifty-Second Student Body Senate Resolution 52-09

[An Act Establishing a Formal Black Caucus]

- WHEREAS, the Student Government Association (SGA) represents the student body at the University of Central 1
- 2 Florida (UCF);
- 3 WHEREAS, the SGA serves as an active voice for the interests of all Undergraduate and Graduate students at UCF;
- 4 WHEREAS, the SGA should further represent the interests of Undergraduate and Graduate students at UCF who
- 5 identify as Black;
- 6 WHEREAS, Black SGA members want to create a codified group to strengthen the presence and inclusion of Black
- 7 students at UCF;
- 8 WHEREAS, the codified group would be called the Black Caucus and would focus on issues such as assurances
- 9 that Black SGA members are fully involved when issues regarding Black Undergraduate and Graduate students at
- 10 UCF are being discussed, retention of Black SGA members, and establishment of programs with other SGA
- 11 committees that connect Black SGA members with Black undergraduate and graduate students at UCF:
- 12 WHEREAS, the SGA currently has 5 elected and appointed members who identify as Black;
- 13 WHEREAS, the Black Caucus would have a flexible number of seats, inclusive of anyone who wishes to join;
- 14 WHEREAS, the Black Caucus will abide by the SGA Constitution and will not restrict membership "on the basis of
- 15 race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, personal appearance,
- 16 age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability or on the basis of the exercise of rights secured
- by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution ... [or on the] basis of citizenship status or socioeconomic 17
- 18 status"; and,

19 WHEREAS, this Resolution will go into effect immediately.

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THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, that the Fifty-Second Student Senate of the University of Central Florida

22 establishes and recognizes a formal Black Caucus, and will recognize their input on issues affecting Black

23 students.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES

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