

**STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION 2019-111**

**TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Alachua County Labor Coalition's Renters' Rights Campaign**

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**WHEREAS**, there are "almost 14,000 properties in Gainesville on the rental market" [1]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Alachua County Labor Coalition (ACLC) is "composed of individuals, unions, and worker-friendly organizations committed to the economic, environmental, civil, and social rights of working people, their families, and communities, and to the ecological systems that sustain us" [2]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ACLC has been working on a local renters' rights campaign since last May [3]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ACLC is proposing universal, low-cost landlord licensing, basic rental standards and inspections, arbitration to resolve rental deposit disputes, increased discrimination protection, and greater disclosure of renters' rights and responsibilities [4]; then,

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate supports the comprehensive renters' rights ordinance proposal put forward by the Alachua County Labor Coalition (ACLC).

**THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes the basic rights and protections that every renter in Gainesville is entitled to.

*Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Gainesville City Commission, the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, and the Alachua County Labor Coalition.*

[1] <http://www.gainesvilleiguana.org/2018/articles/update-from-the-alachua-county-labor-coalition/>

[2] <https://laborcoalition.org/about/about-us2/>

[3] <https://www.gainesville.com/news/20180519/rental-housing-discussion-planned-may-29>

[4] <http://laborcoalition.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/ACLC-Position-Paper-on-Renters-Rights.pdf>



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