

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA  
FACULTY SENATE  
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING 'FOCUS THE NATION' INITIATIVE  
FEBRUARY 15, 2007**

**WHEREAS** the Faculty of the University of Florida recognizes the importance of emerging issues associated with global climate change and its implications for both the natural and manmade environments, and

**WHEREAS** this faculty has the knowledge and skills to address and discuss these issues as part of its mission and obligation to its students and the larger community,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that:

- we, the Faculty Senate, as representatives of our departments and the faculties of the University of Florida, will support the national initiative "FOCUS THE NATION" to be held JANUARY 31, 2008 on campuses across the country; and
- we acknowledge the need to support this initiative by reporting back to our departments and encouraging each department/college to hold special events, lectures, field trips, class activities, or other pedagogical events using scientific and social data to impart a message to the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Florida, as well as the surrounding community, of the implications of global climate change.