

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO STUDENT GOVERNMENT
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77 LCR 01 — Take Back the Tap

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A Resolution of Support of the Drinking and Utilization of Local Water thus Phasing Out the Sale of Single-Use Water Bottles at the University of Colorado in Boulder

Resolution History

In 2007, The University of Colorado at Boulder was one of the original signers to the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC); and The University of Colorado at Boulder's Master Plan clearly states an intent "To facilitate the increased use of reusable water containers, more public filtered drinking water stations should be located in existing high use/visibility areas, and be specified in new construction/ renovations." "Take Back the Tap" is a nationwide college campus organization derived from a larger organization called Food and Water Watch. Take Back the Tap is a group striving to cease all sales of single use bottled water at the University of Colorado. In Spring 2012, the "Take Back the Tap" student chapter held several water taste tests in various areas on campus. The results show the majority of the participants could not taste the difference between bottled water and tap water.

The University prides itself in being environmentally friendly and conscious. This resolution encourages all areas of campus to consider this fact when beverage contracts are being signed. Therefore, these facilities should take into consideration about the sale of single use bottled water as the result of that many students are against it.

Resolution Summary

In summary, this resolution should encourage all areas on campus to be conscious about the distribution of single use bottled water. Also in the process of renewing or modifying contracts, this resolution should be taken into consideration. CUSG and the Take Back the Tap student campaign supports more environmental alternatives.

Whereas: The University of Colorado at Boulder's Master Plan clearly states an intent "To facilitate the increased use of reusable water containers, more public filtered drinking water stations should be located in existing high use/visibility areas, and be specified in new construction/ renovations." ,

Whereas: CUSG will support the phasing-out of the sale of single-use plastic water bottles on campus,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Government, THAT:

Section 1: Legislative Council and CUSG will formally support and encourage all areas on campus to encourage the use of multiuse water bottles and discourage the use of single-use plastic containers.

Section 2: Upon passage, this resolution will be updated every Spring semester and presented to all cost centers, Department of Housing & Dining, and residence halls.

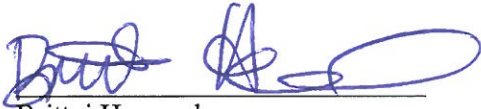
Section 3: This resolution shall take effect upon passage by the Legislative Council and upon obtaining the signatures of the Legislative Council President and the signatures of two Executives or the lapse of 6 days without action by the Executives.

Vote Count

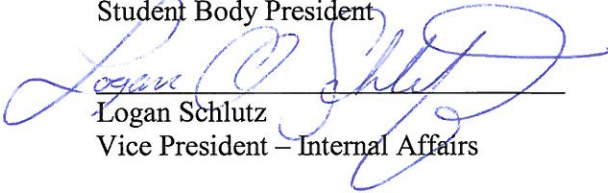
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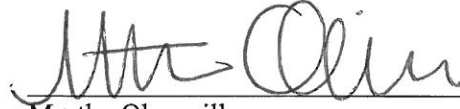
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