

**Florida A & M University Student Government Association**  
**49<sup>th</sup> Student Senate**  
**SP20SR-003**

**Author:** Senator Maurice Gilbert

**Sponsor:** Senator Maya Robertson

**First Reading:** January 13, 2020

**Second Reading:** January 20, 2020

**Title:** Excessive Force

**Legislation:** Senate Resolution Bill

**Whereas,** The Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (Florida A&M) Student Government Association is the governing entity of the Student Body, and is empowered to work for the betterment of the general welfare of the Student Body, to express the general interest of the Student Body, and to provide for full student participation in student government; and

**Whereas,** Police Brutality is an umbrella term that refers to any unjustified or intentional harassment, verbal assault, physical/mental injury, property damage, or death as a result of an interaction with Police or other individuals associated with maintaining public safety and order, and

**Whereas,** According to a 2011-2015 study published in the journal *Injury Protection*, racial minorities aged 15-29 are at a greater risk of suffering from Police Brutality, and

**Whereas,** The majority of the population at Florida A&M is classified as a racial minority, and Florida A&M students past, present, and future, have been/may be at risk of actions that could be classified as being Police Brutality,

**Therefore,** **Be it resolved** that the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Student Government Association on behalf of the Student Body strongly condemns Police Brutality, while acknowledging that Police brutality is a real and important issue that impacts students and families directly.

*Proviso Language: This piece of legislation will take effect upon signage by the Student Body President*

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**For:**   21   **Opposed:**   0   **Abstain:**   0  

**Pass:**          **Fail:**

Student Senate President *Christopher V. Miller* Date: 1/30/2020

Student Body President *Richard Moricette* Date: 1/30/2020