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**University of Central Florida
Fifty-Sixth Student Body Senate
Fiscal Bill 56-35**

[Funding for Vietnamese American Student Association to host the Tet (Lunar New Year) at UCF in the Pegasus Ballroom, on February 23rd, 2025]

WHEREAS, Vietnamese American Association (VASA) has been a Registered Student Organization since 1982;
WHEREAS, The mission of VASA is to foster the values of leadership for the community, diversity and inclusiveness through Vietnamese-American culture, and lifelong friendships. Along with our traditions, we hope to accomplish this purpose through our community service events, cultural shows, fun-filled meetings, and heart-warming socials. We believe that by understanding our past, we can build on stronger foundations for the future, bettering our lives, our community, and our culture together;
WHEREAS, VASA members pay dues of \$20 annually;
WHEREAS, VASA currently has 166 active dues-paying members;
WHEREAS, The purpose of the Tet (Lunar New Year) is to promote Vietnamese culture and history at the University of Central Florida as well as the greater Orlando community. In addition, it contributes back to the community by providing a culturally significant event not only for Vietnamese Americans but also for Vietnamese International students;
WHEREAS, The organization can significantly advance its educational mission by hosting this event, particularly in serving the Vietnamese community at UCF and Central Florida. The event fosters an environment of belonging, engagement, and achievement by gathering the community and promoting Vietnamese culture alongside other cultural organizations within and outside UCF. This approach educates and empowers individuals by instilling pride and a sense of belonging. In addition, this event will cultivate a deeper understanding of the evolving Vietnamese American cultural identity, creating a stimulating awareness that bridges generational and cultural gaps. Hosting events that celebrate and integrate diverse cultural histories encourages meaningful connections and contributes to a more inclusive and informed community;
WHEREAS, The expected turnout for Tet (Lunar New Year) is 800 people, and
WHEREAS, Vietnamese American Association received \$96.50 via FAO Allocation 56-26 in Activity and Service Fee Funds in the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the Fifty-Sixth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida that \$7,832.94 be allocated to Vietnamese American Association from the Senate Working Fund according to the following breakdown:


<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Food and Beverages	(Milk Tea, Chicken, etc.)	\$1,414.28
Audio and Visual Equipment	(lighting, microphones, etc.)	\$4,251.60
<u>Guest Performer</u>	<u>(Musical Artist Hojean)</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
Total Cost		\$15,665.88
Total Vietnamese American Association Contribution		\$7,832.94
Total Senate Contribution		\$7,832.94

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all unspent funds revert to their originating account by *March 25th, 2025*;

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Vietnamese American Association may complete a Post-Funding Form and return it to the Operations Review and Sanction Committee (ORS), and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Vietnamese American Association completes a Verification of RSO Purchases Form by April 1st, 2025, as a condition of receiving funding.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES



Bryce Lister
Student Body President

Date

Dr. Adrienne Frame
Vice President, SSWB

Date