

**A Resolution to Support the Implementation of Reusable “To Go” Containers  
at The Ohio State University Dining Services Facilities**

David Glass (for himself, Samuel Reed, and Shamina Merchant) introduced the following resolution to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

**Whereas** the Undergraduate Student Government represents all students of The Ohio State University, and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University operates University Dining Services facilities for undergraduate students,<sup>1</sup> and

**Whereas** many undergraduate students rely on Dining Services for all of their meals,<sup>2</sup> and

**Whereas** many students utilise “to go” options for their dining needs, and

**Whereas** Dining Services provides only disposable “to go” container options, and

**Whereas** many universities, such as: University of Michigan,<sup>3</sup> University of Minnesota,<sup>4</sup> Clemson University,<sup>5</sup> Virginia Tech,<sup>6</sup> University of Florida,<sup>7</sup> and University of Kentucky,<sup>8</sup> all have reusable “to go” dining options, and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University has committed to sustainability, through Ohio State’s Sustainability Goals,<sup>9</sup> and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University has committed to achieving “zero waste by 2025 by diverting 90% of waste away from landfills;”<sup>10</sup>

**Therefore Let it Be Resolved** that The Ohio State University Dining Services considers providing a reusable “to go” option for students, similar to that of comparable universities.

---

<sup>1</sup><https://dining.osu.edu/>

<sup>2</sup><https://dining.osu.edu/dining-plans/>

<sup>3</sup><https://studentlife.umich.edu/article/new-go-blue-box>

<sup>4</sup><http://www.dining.umn.edu/about/togo.html>

<sup>5</sup><https://clemsontech.com/Sustainability/WhatWeAreDoing.aspx>

<sup>6</sup><https://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2013/11/110513-dsa-reusabletogo.html>

<sup>7</sup><http://www.gatordining.com/sustainability/reusable-to-go-containers>

<sup>8</sup><https://uky.campusdish.com/Sustainability/WhatWeAreDoing.aspx>

<sup>9</sup><https://www.osu.edu/initiatives/sustainability/>

<sup>10</sup><https://www.osu.edu/SustGoals%20FINAL%20updated%20041816.pdf>

33  
34  
35  
36  
37  
38  
39  
40  
41  
42  
43

Floor Vote--passed.

*Gerard C. Basalla*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gerard Basalla  
President

*Danielle M. DiScala*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Danielle Di Scala  
Vice President

44 Date Adopted: 3/1/17

Date Terminated: \_\_\_\_\_