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A Resolution to Support the Conversion of Swipes to Declining Balance

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Whereas: According to an RHA survey, 91.4% of students are upset with current meal plans and dining options.

Whereas: 98.4% of students surveyed think that recent changes, including buffet conversions and the closing of a-la-carte locations, have made dining at Miami worse.

Whereas: Many students have class, organization meetings, or athletic commitments that last until after dining halls close and with their only dining options on campus being a la carte locations they are not able to eat without using declining balance.

Whereas: Many students will not use all their meal swipes by the end of the semester, but will go through their declining balance quickly, especially if they have more than one night a week where they are busy until after 8:00 p.m.

Whereas: The introduction of combo meals for a swipe at a la carte locations would only be possible with a large-scale redesign of the software currently used at the registers.

Whereas: Meal swipes do not carry over at the end of the semester while declining balance will carry over.

Whereas: Multiple new a la carte locations are scheduled to open on campus in the next year which all students should have an equal opportunity to visit.

Whereas: Providing students with additional declining balance is only expected to result in a negligible increase in a la carte location traffic, a concern that Miami Dining has had for some time.

Therefore be it resolved: Associated Student Government supports Miami Dining introducing an option for students to convert meal swipes to declining balance for a small premium which would be priced into the conversion. Students should be able to do this through the website MyCard and should be able regardless of the plan they have.