WHEREAS: Northern Iowa Student Government began a bike share program in the 2014-15 school year,

WHEREAS: This program has been sponsored by a number of groups from around campus, including Northern Iowa Student Government, UNI Sustainability Office, Vice President for Student Affairs, and International Programs,

RECOGNIZING: That during the program’s spring and fall terms all usable bicycles have been checked out in the first few weeks with little advertising,

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That the current bikes in the program are a variety of different makes and models having been reclaimed from around campus after being abandoned and are in various states of disrepair,

RECOGNIZING: That the student body, and international students in particular, greatly benefit from access to the usable bicycles for commuting to, from, and around campus as well as the Cedar Falls and Waterloo areas,

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That additional funding for a new fleet of uniform bicycles will help build the program and allow greater access to the student body as a whole,
FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That a uniform fleet of bicycles will meet a higher standard of quality and safety for student use,

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: That the process of checking out, maintaining, and repairing the bikes will be more streamlined with new uniform bikes that are the same make and model,

FURTHER RECOGNIZING: Students of the University of Northern Iowa support sustainable modes of transportation for a cleaner campus and world,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The students of the University of Northern Iowa encourage Pepsi to accept this grant proposal to help us better our university and student life,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the following people: Jim Wohlpard, Interim President; Jan Hanish, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs; Eric O’Brien, Director of Sustainability.