

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INCORPORATED OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS

Resolution Pledging Continued Support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program, Undocumented Students and their Families

1. WHEREAS: The Associated Students, Inc., (ASI) is the representative body and the official

voice of the students at California State University, Stanislaus; and

2. WHEREAS: There are an estimated 300 Undocumented Students that attend Stanislaus State.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) was created in 2012 to provide temporary deportation relief and work permits to eligible immigrants that arrive

to the United States (U.S.) as children; and

3. WHEREAS: Since the Biden Administration has taken office, they have shown immense support for Undocumented Individuals, their families and the DACA program by

- Fully resotoring the DACA program
- Signing an Executive Order to preserve and fortify Deffered Action for Childhood Arrivals
- Proposing two pieces of legislation that provide a pathway to citizenship for Undocumented People
 - o H.R.6- American Dream and Promise Act of 2021
 - o H.R.1603- Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021
- **4. WHEREAS:** H.R.6, the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021, passed by the U.S. House of Representatives on March 18, 2021 led to a statement by California State University Chancellor, Joseph I. Castro:

Providing these students, including the approximately 10,000 CSU students who receive an AB 540 waiver, with a clear path for the future—to complete their educations, build their careers and carve out their legacies—is indeed a wise decision for California and our nation, and it is aligned with the university's core principles of inclusive excellence and empowering upward social mobility.

5. WHEREAS: ASI stands in solidarity with University President Junn, who, in her message published June 11, 2020, states:

We stand in solidarity with our DACA students, Dreamers and members of our community from all walks of life. We believe in and support our more than 300 DACA students who add great value to the Stan State community, and will continue to support them to the fullest extent possible, irrespective of the ruling.

We are committed to ensuring our students have access to an equitable, inclusive and caring environment and are able to complete their education. This is especially critical now with the potentially earth-shattering change to the immigration status of a significant number of students and members of our campus community...; and

6. WHEREAS: ASI reaffirms the mission of the Undocumented Student Services, who, in an open letter to our undocumented campus community, pledge the following:

Our Undocumented Student Services team stands in solidarity with DACA students impacted by our nation's administrations threats to end DACA. We understand the fear and uncertainty that this causes to students and their families and we are committed in providing a safe and supportive environment for all. As a continuous effort to support undocumented students including DACA recipients, we want to take this moment to encourage our undocumented campus community to explore resources available at our campus...; and

- 7. WHEREAS: Associated Students, Inc. of Stanislaus State continues to stand united with and in support of Undocumented Students as well as the DACA Program and; let it be resolved that
- 8. RESOLVED: ASI encourages all Undocumented Students to make an appointment with the University's direct immigration legal services (ILD), free of charge to Stanislaus State Students, employees, and their families. Attorneys and paralegals are available to assist with general consultations, DACA renewals, and assistance in filling out forms or answering questions related to any recent changes; and
- 9. **RESOLVED**: ASI will partner with Undocumented Student Services to develop a campaign to highlight services that are valuable to Undocumented Students and reinforce the importance of Undocu Week of Action which celebrates Undocumented Students in a week of awareness, activities, and activism; and
- **10. RESOLVED:** ASI will implement an Undocumented Students ad hoc Committee with a focus

to advocate for Undocumented/DACA students while fostering safety and inclusivity within Associated Students Incorporated and the University; and

11. **RESOLVED:** We encourage all members of the campus community to become an UndocuAlly

through the <u>UndocuAlly Training</u> hosted by Undocumented Student Services, with a goal to build campus culture that acknowledges, accepts, and integrates

students from diverse backgrounds; and

12. RESOLVED: That the University reevaluates all policy to ensure that all students, including

Undocumented Studets, are being included; and

13. RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be distributed to President, Ellen Junn; Vice

President for Student Affairs, Christine Erickson; Director for the Warrior Cross

Cultural Center, Carolina Alfaro; Dreamers Project Coordinator, Polet

Hernandez; Dean of Students, Andy Klingelhoefer; Director for Presidential Inititives, Neisha Rhodes; Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs, Kimberly

Greer; Academic Senate Chair, Keith Neinby; and the student newspaper of

Stanislaus State, The Signal.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, Inc., at a regularly held meeting on April 13, 2021.

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