



California State University | Stanislaus

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INCORPORATED OF
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS**

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING CONVERTING LIBRARY ROOM 209 INTO AN
INTERFAITH PRAYER ROOM**

1. **WHEREAS**, the Associated Students, Inc., is the representative body and the official voice of the students at California State University, Stanislaus; and
2. **WHEREAS**, establishing a prayer room open to the entire campus community, regardless of faith, will allow free expression of spiritual and/or religious identities and contribute to a culture of inclusivity; and
3. **WHEREAS**, for many, faith is integral in their lives, providing foundation, direction, and an overall sense of well-being; and
4. **WHEREAS**, for those of Muslim faith who pray up to five times daily, a designated space available for prayer would relieve the stress of trying to find suitable locations to pray, and would be particularly impactful during the month of Ramadan; and
5. **WHEREAS**, availability of a space where those who choose to may freely practice their spirituality, whatever that may be, would contribute to better mental health; and
6. **WHEREAS**, the Library Room-209 would serve as an ideal location for an Interfaith Prayer Room as it is currently used as a temporary prayer room and is located near the Warrior Cross Cultural Center; and
7. **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that our campus needs a designated space for the practice of religious and/or spiritual beliefs, and there is an ideal location on our campus for such a space; and
8. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** Associated Students, Inc., recommend converting the Library Room-209 into an Interfaith Prayer Room; and
9. **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** those copies of this Resolution be sent to Dr. Sue Borrego, Interim University President, Dr. Richard Ogle, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. Ron Rodriguez, Dean of Library Services; Dr. Marcy Chvasta, Speaker of Academic Senate; Dr. Christine Erickson, Vice President of Student Affairs; Dr. Heather

Dunn Carlton, Associate Vice President/Dean of Students; Carolina Alfaro, Executive Director of Student Leadership, Engagement and Belonging; Dr. Sacha Joseph-Mathews, Vice President and Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer; Ms Julia Reynoso, Associate Vice President Capital Planning and Facilities Management; and Muslim Student Association.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, Inc., at a regularly held meeting on April 23, 2024.

Adrian Sanchez

Adrian Sanchez (May 1, 2024 12:17 PDT)

Adrian Sanchez, ASI President

Miranda Gonzalez

Miranda Gonzalez (May 2, 2024 10:33 PDT)

Miranda Gonzalez, ASI Vice President of Finance