



Academic Senate

ASD 16-158

Date: December 8, 2016

Resolution In Support of the U.S. 2012 Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program

Whereas: Since the advent of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program in 2012, we have seen positive impacts of this program for our students, intuitions, and communities and

Whereas: Upholding DACA is both a moral imperative and a national necessity because America needs educated talent; and

Whereas: The students affected by this program have been raised and educated in the United States and already are part of our national and local communities; and

Whereas: The core mission of higher education is the advancement of knowledge for the betterment of people and society as exemplified by the results of the DACA Program; and

Whereas: Universities, including California State University Fullerton (CSUF) as leaders in higher education are committed to upholding free inquiry and education in our educational system; and

Whereas: Leaders in higher education across the country including the President of the University of California, Janet Napolitano; the Chancellor of the California State University (CSU), Timothy P. White; and the Chancellor–Designee of California Community Colleges, Eloy Ortiz Oakley in a letter dated 11/19/2016 as well as hundreds of college presidents nationwide, including CSUF President, Mildred García, in a letter reported on and posted in *Inside Higher Ed* (11/21/2016) voiced their concerns to President-elect Donald J. Trump and requested his incoming administration's support for DACA; and

Whereas: CSUF is committed to providing the opportunity for all students to pursue their education as consistent with their life goals and the betterment of all people and societies everywhere, and

Whereas: DACA students like all students at CSUF are active civic members of both our campus and local communities, and contribute to the betterment of their families, cities and society; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSUF Academic Senate joins those individuals identified above who have expressed their support for the DACA Program; and be it further

Resolved: That the CSUF Academic Senate reaffirm its commitment to protecting and strengthening campus diversity in all its forms and promoting understanding and respect for all people; and be it further

Resolved: That the CSUF Academic Senate urge our colleagues, community, State and national leaders across the business, civic, religious, government and nonprofit sectors to join with us in the urgent matter of supporting DACA and all our students and consistent with this request; and be it further

Resolved: That we urge our country's leaders to uphold, continue and expand DACA and encourage the CSU community to strongly advocate for the continuation and expansion of DACA; and be it finally

Resolved That the Academic Senate of CSUF distribute this resolution to the California Governor, the Speaker of the California State Assembly, the California Senate President pro Tempore, CSU Chancellor, the CSU Board of Trustees, the ASCSU, the chairs of the Academic Senates at all other CSU campuses, CSUF President Mildred García, the Vice-Presidents of CSUF, the California State Student Association (CSSA), the Associated Students, Inc. at CSUF, and President-elect Donald J. Trump.

Source: Executive Committee