CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON



Academic Senate

ASD 17-182 Date: December 07, 2017

Resolution

## Supporting the Position of the American Council on Education on the Higher Education Provisions in H.R.1, the *Tax Cuts and Jobs Act*

Whereas: The American Council on Education (ACE) have clearly expressed their opposition to a number of the provisions of H.R.1 in a letter dated November 6, 2017 (<u>http://www.acenet.edu/news-room/Documents/Letter-on-House-Tax-Cuts-and-Jobs-Act.pdf</u>) and have written a similar letter regarding the Senate version of H.R. 1 (<u>http://www.acenet.edu/news-room/Documents/Letter-to-Senate-Tax-Cuts-and-Jobs-Act.pdf</u>) ; and

**Whereas:** H.R.1 is not supported by many other higher education associations who also signed the letter from ACE (e.g. AAUP, AASCU, AAC&U) or have written their own (e.g. a joint letter from the Society for the study of Evolution, American Society of Naturalists, and the Society of Systematic Biologists - <u>http://www.systbio.org/letters.html#taxingtuition</u>); and

**Whereas:** CSUF is committed to access and affordability for undergraduate and graduate students; therefore be it

**Resolved:** That the CSUF Academic Senate strongly opposes the provisions of H.R.1 and the Senate Version of H.R. 1 that would be harmful to Higher Education as outlined in the letters written by ACE; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the CSUF Academic Senate strongly supports measures that maintain access for both undergraduate and graduate students (e.g. The Lifetime Learning Credit, Student Loan Interest Deduction, and maintaining provisions that keep tuition waivers/exemptions from counting towards a student's taxable income); and be it finally

**Resolved**: That copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Representatives Correa, Issa, Rohrabacher, Royce, and Walters; the Honorable Senators Feinstein and Harris; the Academic Senate of the CSU, the California State Student Association; CSU Chancellor Tim White; and CSUF President García.