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Resolution in Opposition to the CSU Chancellor's Proposed Implementation of AB 1460 and CSU Board of Trustees' Changes to Title V of the California Education Code of Regulations

WHEREAS, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 1460 into law on August 17, 2020 providing an explicit pathway for an Ethnic Studies requirement in the CSU; and

WHEREAS, the CSU Chancellor's Office memo issued on September 10, 2020 specifies an impossible and violent timeline to ensure appropriate collaboration, as required by AB 1460, for consultation, deliberation, and conversation among Ethnic Studies faculty and other campus faculty on the design, construction, and student-centered implementation of Ethnic Studies; and

WHEREAS, campuses have already been made to implement contentious General Education changes in the recent past due to EO 1100 and EO 1100 Revised; and

WHEREAS, campuses are strained by the contingent emergencies including, but not limited to, the COVID-19 global pandemic, wildfires and other climate-based natural disasters, racial injustice, the economic downturn affecting state allocations; and

WHEREAS, the CSUF Ethnic Studies faculty (in the Departments of African American Studies, Asian American Studies, and Chicana/o Studies) and the Ethnic Studies Implementation Committee are selecting and designing courses to meet the new Ethnic Studies requirement inside or outside of G.E. according to an impossible and violent timeline; now, therefore, be it:

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate at CSUF opposes the Chancellor's Office interpretation of AB 1460 and proposed changes to G.E. Area D, and

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate of CSUF asks the CSU Chancellor's Office and Board Trustees to rescind their Title V July 2020 changes,

RESOLVED, that the 12 units be retained in G.E. Area D as Social Science and U.S. History and Government in order to guarantee students fulfill the Title V mandate (American Institutions),



RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate of CSUF recognizes CSU faculty are the experts in designing and executing university curriculum, and therefore, CSU faculty experts are integral to the design and execution of Ethnic Studies curriculum,

RESOLVED, that the timeline for any G.E. changes be extended to allow effective campus implementation, including campus flexibility to determine mechanisms of implementation,

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate of CSUF urges the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) and the Chancellor's Office to rescind their acceptance of the Ethnic Studies core competencies until the CSU Council on Ethnic Studies (CSUCES) and its AB 1460 Implementation Committee have been engaged in meaningful collaboration,

RESOLVED, that this Resolution be distributed to: CSU Chancellor White, EVC Blanchard, the CSU Board of Trustees, in-coming CSU Chancellor Castro, ASCSU Chair Collins, CSU Council on Ethnic Studies, CSUF President Virjee and Provost Thomas, Deans, Faculty, and the Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors, CSUF California Faculty Association President Brown