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**Academic Senate Resolution**

**\*W FAC 16-19**

**November 16, 2016**

**Resolution Opposing the Proposed Tuition Increase**

**M/S/P 34 in favor/0 against/1 abstention**

WHEREAS: The California State University has proposed a tuition increase of up to $270 per resident undergraduate student annually, with similar increases for non-resident, graduate, doctoral, and credential students, to take effect in 2017-18 (see <https://www2.calstate.edu/Documents/Possible-17-18-Tuition-Proposal.pdf>); and

WHEREAS: California has significantly disinvested in the CSU over the last decade, despite its responsibility to fund public systems under the California Master Plan for Higher Education; and

WHEREAS: CSU tuition fees have risen drastically in recent years, having more than doubled in the last decade, and tripled in the last fifteen years; and

WHEREAS: Many CSU students are financially disadvantaged and cannot afford an increase in tuition (see <https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-cal-state-homelessness-20160620-snap-story.html>); and

WHEREAS: Financial aid may help to mitigate some of the effects of a tuition increase, but students may incur more debt as a result of the tuition increase; and

WHEREAS: The California State Student Association (CSSA) has expressed opposition to the proposed tuition increase (see <http://tuition.calstatestudents.org/2016/10/21/letter-from-cssa-president-david-m-lopez/>); therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the ASCSUDH opposes the proposed tuition increase; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSUDH urge the California Legislature and the Governor to reinvest in Higher Education consistent with the 1960 Master Plan for Higher Education; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSUDH encourage the ASCSU to oppose the proposed tuition increase; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSUDH distribute this resolution to:

* CSU Board of Trustees,
* CSU Chancellor,
* CSU campus Presidents,
* CSU campus Senate Chairs,
* California Faculty Association (CFA)
* California State Student Association (CSSA)
* Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (ERFA)
* Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges,
* Academic Senate of the University of California,
* California Community Colleges’ Board of Governors,
* University of California Board of Regents
* CSUDH Chapter of Associated Students Incorporated (ASI)
* California State Student Association (CSSA)
* Governor of the State of California
* Our local State Representative, Steven Bradford
* Our local State Assembly Member, Mike A. Gipson.