

SMOKING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of California State University, Fullerton to protect its community from public health concerns; and

WHEREAS, according to a report released by U.S. Surgeon General Regina M. Benjamin¹, exposure to tobacco smoke – even occasional smoking or secondhand smoke – causes immediate damage to your body that can lead to serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society² there is no safe level of secondhand smoke; and

WHEREAS, also according to the American Cancer Society, the workplace and public places, including schools, are major sources of secondhand smoke exposure for adults; and

WHEREAS, secondhand smoke in these places has been linked to an increased risk for heart disease and lung cancer among adult non-smokers; and

WHEREAS the Associated Students, CSUF, Inc. conducted various outreach efforts to students including, but not limited to, informal polls, open forums, and in-class presentations which revealed different sentiments; and

WHEREAS, that given the high public salience and caution from health authorities, it is critical that the University enact effective smoking policies to reduce the negative externalities associated with smoking and secondhand smoke; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students, CSUF, Inc. Board of Directors recommend the University create a smoke free campus, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the University allocate the appropriate resources to provide the necessary signage and promotion to ensure awareness amongst the campus community, and be it further

¹ U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (2010, December 09). *Exposure to tobacco smoke causes immediate damage, says new surgeon general's report* . Retrieved from <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2010pres/12/20101209a.html>

² American Cancer Society. (2010, December 09). *Secondhand smoke*. Retrieved from <http://www.cancer.org/Cancer/CancerCauses/TobaccoCancer/secondhand-smoke>

RESOLVED, that the University allocate the appropriate resources to effectively enforce the smoking policy, and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the University and the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate as a formal policy recommendation of the Associated Students, CSUF, Inc., pursuant to University Policy Statement 100.003.

Adopted by the ASI Board of Directors on the fourteenth day of February, two thousand and twelve

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