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## A Resolution In Support of the Food Insecurities and Homelessness Task Force at California State University, Fullerton

**WHEREAS,** the CSU Chancellor's office released a report in February 2016 on research conducted regarding student hunger and homelessness stating that Phase I of the study results estimated an 8 to 12 percent of students live in unstable housing situations, and 21 to 24 percent are food insecure<sup>1</sup>; and

**WHEREAS,** the research also stated approximately 11 CSU campuses already have food pantries and various other services to assist students who are homeless and/or food insecure; however, California State University, Fullerton is not amongst those campuses<sup>2</sup>; and

**WHEREAS,** the California State Student Association (CSSA) has begun conversations regarding food insecurities and homelessness of students within the CSU and has held workshops within their Social Justice & Equity Council (SJEC) to compare resources available to students across the 23 campuses<sup>3</sup>; and

**WHEREAS**, the Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that operates as an auxiliary organization of California State University, Fullerton; and

WHEREAS, ASI is committed to meeting the needs of all students; and

WHEREAS, in the Spring of 2016, ASI and University leaders collaborated to create a Food Insecurities and Homelessness Task Force to address and support the needs of homeless and food insecure students at California State University, Fullerton; therefore let it be

**RESOLVED,** ASI formally supports the University's Food Insecurities and Homelessness Task Force's goal to create services and programs to support CSUF students; and let it be further

**RESOLVED,** in addition to students appointed by the ASI President & CEO, the ASI Board of Directors Chair will assign one Board of Directors member and the ASI President & CEO will assign one executive staff member to sit on the Task force; and let it be further

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>http://news.calstate.edu/csu-chancellor-extends-research-study-into-student-hunger-homelessness-issues</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>http://news.calstate.edu/csu-chancellor-extends-research-study-into-student-hunger-homelessness-issues</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.csustudents.org/wp-content/uploads/CSSA-BoT-Report-November-2015.pdf



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**RESOLVED,** the assigned members will report two times a semester to the Board on the progress of the Task Force until the mission of the task force is completed; and let it be further

**RESOLVED,** that ASI will continue to prioritize Food Insecurity and Homelessness by ensuring ASI's involvement on the Task Force is active and engaged; and let it be further

**RESOLVED,** that the 2015-2016 ASI Board of Directors encourages the ASI Boards in the future to continue to look into what support is needed for food insecure and homeless students; and let it be finally

**RESOLVED**, that this resolution be distributed to the California State University Board of Trustees, California State Student Association, and the following CSU Fullerton departments, divisions, and/or entities for their support and consideration: Office of the President, the President's Advisory Board, the Academic Senate, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Office of the Dean of Students, Division of Human Resources, Diversity, and Inclusion, Office of Student Life and Leadership.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, California State University, Fullerton, Inc., on the tenth day of May two thousand and sixteen.

Joseph Valencia Chair, Board of Directors

Michael Badal President/CEO

Gabriel Sedeño II Vice Chair, Board of Directors