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RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CANCELLATION OF THE DACA PROGRAM AND SUPPORTING UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES

- WHEREAS:** On September 5, 2017, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced the Trump Administration's intention to terminate the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program; and
- WHEREAS:** The DACA program has provided relief from the fear of deportation, as well as the ability to work and contribute to the economy, for an estimated 1200 CSUSB students and employees, and many thousands of others across the CSU; and
- WHEREAS:** The people of California and our elected representatives, via the passage of AB 540, AB 130 and AB 131 (the California DREAM Act), have made it clear that California supports access to higher education for qualified undocumented students; and
- WHEREAS:** Federal law protects the privacy of student records under FERPA; and
- WHEREAS:** The ability to pursue a university education successfully requires both a means of financial support and a safe and welcoming living and learning environment; and
- WHEREAS:** CSU faculty, staff, and administrators have a moral obligation to provide all of our students, regardless of immigration status, with a quality education and a supportive learning environment; therefore be it
- RESOLVED:** That the CSUSB Faculty Senate affirms that no human being is illegal, and stands in solidarity with DACA recipients, DREAMers and other undocumented students and employees; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Faculty Senate condemns the decision to end DACA, and urges the US Senate and House of Representatives to promptly pass legislation that supports qualified undocumented students and employees in attaining their educational goals and improving their lives, and provides a pathway to citizenship; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Faculty Senate calls on both the CSUSB and CSU administrations to reassure students and employees clearly and unambiguously that the university will not release any information on the immigration status of students and employees, that no university personnel will cooperate with ICE agents on deportations or raids, and that ICE agents will not have physical access to any CSU property; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Faculty Senate calls on the CSU and CSUSB administrations to provide legal assistance and financial aid to undocumented students and employees, including free campus housing over breaks to students who cannot leave due to fear of deportation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senate urges all CSUSB faculty to become acquainted with the services provided by the CSUSB DREAMers Resource and Success Center, and to refer students and employees there whenever needed; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senate will cooperate with all campus stakeholders in any way possible to support our undocumented students and employees; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senate send copies of this resolution to the President of CSUSB, the Chancellor of the CSU, the Board of Trustees, the Academic Senate of the CSU, the Chairs of all CSU campus Senates, the CFA statewide president, the CSUSB CFA chapter president, the CSSA, the CSUSB ASI chapter, the CSUSB DREAMers Resource and Success Center, both US Senators from California, and US Representatives from the region served by CSUSB.

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Approved by the CSUSB Faculty Senate



Karen Kolehmainen, Chair

October 10, 2017, unanimously
Date