Resolution for 2017-2018 Student Academic Senate Commitment to the 100% Certified Award and Recognition Student Philanthropy Council (SPC) Program

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WHEREAS, food and housing insecurity have been an ongoing issue affecting students in higher education;

WHEREAS, the "Identifying Food Insecure Students and Constraints for SNAP/CalFresh Participation at California State University, Chico" study revealed that 46% of CSU survey respondents reported experiencing food insecurity¹;

WHEREAS, the California State Student Association Public Policy Agenda 2017/2018 states "that most financial aid does not support students' costs to live, which are a major burden to obtaining a college degree" and commits to "ensure students' basic needs are being met"²;

WHEREAS, the Associated Students Mission Statement states that "the purpose of the Associated Students is to enrich the quality of campus life at California State University, Chico"³;

WHEREAS, the Student Academic Senate Code establishes that it is the duty of each senator to "serve/represent the best interests of the constituents" and;

WHEREAS, the Student Philanthropy Council supports the Chico State Fund which supports student scholarships, educational programs, cultural and recreational activities, and facilities and equipment on campus;

WHEREAS, the Hungry Wildcat Food Pantry aides any graduate or undergraduate student who is experiencing food insecurity by providing "dry and canned foods, organic food and vegetables, OVP Veggie Bucks, CalFresh food program assistance, nutrition education, and additional referrals" therefore;

WHEREAS, in order for the Student Academic Senate to become 100% certified with the Certified Award and Recognition Program through the SPC, every individual of Body must donate to the Student Philanthropy Council⁶;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Student Academic Senate become 100% certified with the Certified Award and Recognition Program to demonstrate a commitment to the campus community and a commitment to the responsibility to serve the constituents;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Academic Senate work alongside the Student Philanthropy Council to present to the Government Affairs Committee and the Associated Students Board of Directors about how to become 100% certified;

¹ http://ccsne.compact.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/50/2017/07/chico Food Insecurity Report 2016.pdf

http://www.calstatestudents.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Public-Policy-Agenda.pdf

http://as.csuchico.edu/wp-content/uploads/AS16 Web MissionStatement03.11.02.pdf

https://as.csuchico.edu/wp-content/uploads/AS17 Code StudentAcademicSenate1206.pdf

http://www.csuchico.edu/sa/units/hungry-wildcat-food-pantry/index.shtml

http://www.csuchico.edu/spc/programs/certified.shtml

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Academic Senate declare a meeting, such as every meeting of the body that takes place during the second week of October, during which it will be encouraged that every member to donate to the Student Philanthropy Council with the understanding that in order to certify the Student Academic Senate, every member must donate a minimum of \$1.00;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Associated Students Board of Directors, the Government Affairs Committee, the Bell Memorial Union Committee, the Associated Students Businesses Committee, the Academic Senate, the Student Philanthropy Council, and the California State Student Association.

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