Resolution in Support of the Proposed Social Host Ordinance for the City of Chico

Sponsored by: President Taylor Herren and Commissioner of Community Affairs JW Dobbe

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WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico is the recognized voice of more than 15,000 students; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico Strategic Plan includes service and accountability as two of its seven guiding values; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico is supported by the Commissioner of Community Affairs and the Community Affairs Council, both of which are committed to strengthening the connection and ensuring students are represented on campus and in the Chico community; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico actively participates in the Town and Gown Committee and is committed to addressing issues regarding student safety; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico was an active participant in the Call to Action and Commitment to Action meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico recognizes the importance of campus outreach and student consultation in regards to community policies that affect students, thereby hosting a student forum about the Social Host Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico recognizes that the Social Host Ordinance is only one tool that addresses safety concerns in the Chico community; and

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WHEREAS, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico recognizes that $500 and $1,000 fines are substantial, especially as it relates to students, yet these fines are similar with other municipal code violations throughout California; therefore let it be

RESOLVED, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico is in support of the amnesty clause included in the Social Host Ordinance as it encourages people, especially students, to seek help when needed without fear of punishment;

RESOLVED, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico is committed to addressing issues concerning student safety in downtown Chico; and

RESOLVED, outreach effort was and will continue to be done by the Community Affairs Council, which hosted a student information forum regarding educating students about the Social Host Ordinance in addition to the open meeting policy for Government Affairs Committee (GAC) meetings, Community Affairs Council (CAC) meetings; and

RESOLVED, the Associated Students of California State University, Chico urges all parties to continue to collaboratively seek solutions to the issues surrounding student safety; and furthermore let it be

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be distributed to all CSU, Chico students, Chico City Council, President Paul Zingg, Vice President for Student Affairs Drew Calandrella, University Police Department, Chico Police Department and all other relevant entities.