



Respectfully submitted to the Board of Directors of California State University, Los Angeles, Associated Students, Inc.

Resolution in Opposition to the CSULA Student Success Fee

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- WHEREAS**, the Associated Students, Inc. (A.S.I.) is the single recognized voice for over 20,000 students at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA); and
- WHEREAS**, the A.S.I. offers an avenue for which student opinion may be expressed, while promoting student interest through advocacy and representation; and
- WHEREAS**, Governor Brown has proposed a \$305 million cut to the Cal Grants program and a budget plan that relies on the passage of a ballot tax measure that, if not approved, triggers an additional \$200 million cut to the CSU; and
- WHEREAS**, students will also be affected by a decrease in Federal Pell Grant Program funding and the 9% 2012 tuition increase passed by the CSU Board of Trustees; and
- WHEREAS**, after discussion and dialogue with its constituency, the A.S.I. has interpreted the student response to additional higher education costs, most specifically the proposed CSULA Student Success Fee, as negative; and
- WHEREAS**, the alternative consultation strategies applied at CSULA and required by California State University Fee Policy, Executive Order No. 1054 were not developed with formal input from this body; and
- WHEREAS**, the A.S.I. did not find the alternative consultation process to be transparent, meaningful, and representative of an adequate sample of the student body; and
- WHEREAS**, the conversation about alternative methods to increase graduation rates, which the CSULA Student Fee Policy Advisory Committee resolved to host, has not happened; and
- WHEREAS**, the Student Fee Policy Advisory Committee has officially advised CSULA President James M. Rosser not to implement the Student Success Fee; let it be
- RESOLVED**, that the A.S.I. opposes the Student Success Fee and will actively lobby CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed to deny CSULA President James M. Rosser's request to implement the fee; and let it also be
- RESOLVED**, that copies of this Resolution be distributed widely, including, but not limited to all A.S.I. offices of the CSU system, CSULA President James M. Rosser, CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed; the CSU Board of Trustees, the California State Student Association, and the CSULA University Times.