



1 *Respectfully submitted to the Board of Directors of California State University, Los Angeles, Associated Students, Inc.*  
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3 **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA DREAM ACT, AB 130 & 131**  
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7 **WHEREAS,** the Associated Students, Inc. (A.S.I.) is the single recognized voice for over  
8 18,000 students at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA); and  
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10 **WHEREAS,** a key component of the mission of A.S.I. is to support legislation at both the State  
11 and Federal levels that provide service, programs, and protections that meet the  
12 educational, social, recreational, and cultural needs of the pluralistic community;  
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15 **WHEREAS,** one purpose of the A.S.I. is to promote social justice by advocating for the fair  
16 treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color,  
17 national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and  
18 enforcement of laws, regulations, and policies; and  
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20 **WHEREAS,** each year, an estimated 24,000 undocumented students prepare to graduate from high  
21 school in California; and  
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23 **WHEREAS,** many of these students, defying the odds that predicted their failure, achieve  
24 academic excellence and gain admission to the best public universities and colleges  
25 of our nation; and  
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27 **WHEREAS,** their ineligibility for financial aid and inability to seek employment precludes them  
28 from affording the one opportunity to earn a college degree and fulfill their dreams;  
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31 **WHEREAS,** as these students graduate and integrate into our society as educated professionals,  
32 they will contribute to making the California economy vibrant and strengthen our tax  
33 base; and  
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35 **WHEREAS,** hundreds of undocumented students attend California State University, Los Angeles,  
36 participate in athletic and intramural teams, the honors program, create a more  
37 diverse and competitive classroom environment, and improve and empower their  
38 community through their involvement in on-campus organizations; and  
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40 **WHEREAS,** AB 130, which was signed into law on Monday, July 25, 2011, allows students that  
41 meet the in-state tuition requirements to apply for and receive specified financial aid  
42 programs funded by the private sector and administered by California's public  
43 colleges and universities; and  
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1   **WHEREAS,** AB 131 would allow students that meet the in-state tuition requirements to apply for  
2                   and receive Board of Governors (BOG) Fee Waiver, Institutional Student Aid, Cal  
3                   Grants by California’s public colleges and universities. These students would not be  
4                   eligible to apply or receive any Competitive Cal Grant unless funding remains  
5                   available after all California resident students have received Competitive awards that  
6                   they are eligible for; so let it be  
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8   **RESOLVED,** that the Associated Students, Incorporated of California State University, Los  
9                   Angeles supports the California Dream Act in its entirety, including AB130 now  
10                  signed into law, and urges the State Legislature and Governor Brown to pass and sign  
11                  AB131; and let it further be  
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13   **RESOLVED,** that copies of this Resolution be distributed widely, including, but not limited to  
14                  CSULA President James M. Rosser, CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed; the CSU  
15                  Board of Trustees, the California State Student Association, the CSULA  
16                  University Times, California Governor Jerry Brown, and members of the  
17                  California State Legislature to inform them of the A.S.I. commitment to  
18                  supporting this initiative.