

**THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH**

Bill Number: Bylaw Amendment #2016-04
Title: Amendment to Executive Duties
Sponsored by: Senator from the College of Health and Human Services Kyle Martinez, Senator-at-Large Logan Vournas, and Senator from the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Yasmin Elasmr
Date Submitted: March 2, 2016
Date Approved: May 4, 2016

- WHEREAS** the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) is the single recognized voice for over 37,000 students of the university; and
- WHEREAS** the mission of ASI is to improve the quality of campus life for students while enhancing their educational experience; and
- WHEREAS** the ASI Senate passed resolution SR#2016-02 Board of Directors/Senate Policy Agenda & Initiatives for 2015-2016 which states goals for 2015-2016 including to “urge the inclusivity and advancement of every underrepresented group by promoting, supporting, and funding resource centers”; and
- WHEREAS** the 2015 demographic composition of our college campus illustrated the large, diverse group of students attending to CSULB; and
- WHEREAS** The Think About It campaign was created in 2014 by the ASI Chief of Staff and ASI Secretary of LGBTQI+ Affairs in an effort to educate people on inclusive language and the power of words; and
- WHEREAS** The Think About It campaign is based on examples on exclusive language that people may currently use; and
- WHEREAS** inclusive language involves expression that is free from words, phrases or tones that reflect prejudice, stereotype or discriminatory views of particular people or groups; and
- WHEREAS** language is our main form of communication and it plays a powerful role both in contributing to and in eliminating discrimination; and
- WHEREAS** language that is exclusive is harmful because it can inhibit or prevent students from reaching their full potential and benefitting from their educational experiences; and
- WHEREAS** the U.S. Census Bureau projects that the U.S. population will be considerably older and more racially and ethnically diverse by 2060; and
- WHEREAS** this topic is prevalent to an issue that effects students or staff members now and in the future; and
- WHEREAS** Vice President for Student Affairs Carmen Taylor and Director of SOAR Kenneth Kelly supports the efforts of educating students and staff on inclusive language; now therefore, be it

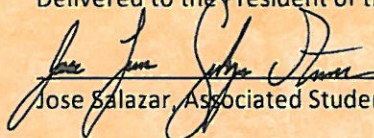
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- RESOLVED** that a bylaw change be made under the Duties and Powers of the Executive Officers to add Section 6. All Executive Officers "An ASI Executive representative must ensure that a lecture on Inclusive language is given to organizations on campus that foster academic success among students, such as but not limited to SOAR and Housing. If at any given time an ASI Executive Officer is unable to fulfill this duty then another ASI officer will be designated to help educate students or staff members on Inclusive language;" and be it further
- RESOLVED** that the Associated Students' Board of Directors strongly supports the Think About It campaign for its efforts on educating students on the power of inclusive language; and be it finally
- RESOLVED** that, upon its approval by the ASI President, electronic copies of this resolution be distributed to CSULB President Jane Conoley, Vice President for Student Affairs Carmen Taylor, Dean of Students Jeff Klaus, Director of SOAR Kenneth Kelly, Associate Director of Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration/Parent & Family Program Jesse Ramirez, the Daily 49er, the Union Weekly, the Press-Telegram, the Long Beach Post, and the Long Beach Register.



Miriam Hernandez, Vice President & Chair, Associated Students Board of Directors

Delivered to the President of the Associated Students on:



Jose Salazar, Associated Students President

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