

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

**Bill Number:** Senate Resolution # 2016-12  
**Title:** Resolution to Commend the Dream Success Center One-Year Anniversary  
**Sponsored by:** ASI Senate  
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**Date Submitted:** February 26, 2016  
**Date Approved:** March 9, 2016

- WHEREAS** the Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) Board of Directors is the single recognized voice for more than 37,000 students at California State University, Long Beach; and
- WHEREAS** the mission of ASI is to “facilitate the achievement of students’ educational objectives and life goals through programs, services and facilities that advocate student needs and interests”; and
- WHEREAS** the ASI Board of Directors supported the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act of 2009 on November 18<sup>th</sup> 2009; and
- WHEREAS** the ASI Board of Director’s subcommittee, Lobby Corps, along with California State Student Association (CSSA) actively advocated and lobbied for AB130 and AB131:<sup>1</sup>
- AB 130 (Cedillo): Allows AB540 students to apply for and receive scholarships derived from non-state funds.
  - AB 131 (Cedillo): Allows AB540 students to apply for and receive financial aid at California public colleges and universities which includes the board of governors fee waiver, institutional aid, and Cal Grant Entitlement awards; and
- WHEREAS** the ASI Board of Directors supported the creation of a DREAM Center to offer services specifically targeting AB540 and undocumented student population on March 5<sup>th</sup> 2014; and
- WHEREAS** the ASI Board of Directors approved a Bylaw Amendment to create the cabinet position of Secretary for AB540 and Undocumented Students in Spring 2014; and
- WHEREAS** the CSULB AB540 taskforce chaired by Manuel Perez and comprised of FUEL members met to assess the needs of AB540 and undocumented students in Spring 2014; and
- WHEREAS** As one of her first actions as President, President Conoley and AB 540 student leaders acknowledged during a video chat conference the need to support undocumented students; and
- WHEREAS** many CSULB student-run organizations jointly rallied at Brotman Hall to demand the creation of a DREAM center in April 2014; and
- WHEREAS** 2014-2015 ASI President Joe Phillips, in conjunction with Secretary of System-wide Affairs Elizabeth Zambrano, Secretary of AB540 and Undocumented Students Eva Morelos and the USU Board of Trustee members authored a proposal to request space for the DREAM center; and

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.csustudents.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Public-Annual-Report-2010-11.pdf>



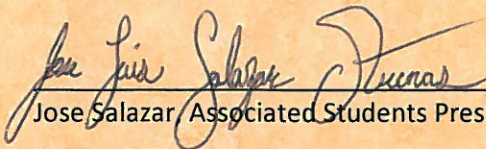
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- WHEREAS** on March 2015, President Conoley continued her commitment to helping undocumented students by hosting the DREAM Success Center's Grand Opening to recognize the need for such a place and the importance of student involvement that led to the opening; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that ASI will continue to support, wherever possible, undocumented students regardless of the political atmosphere; and be it further
- RESOLVED** that ASI supports the USU BOT to continue the yearly lease of the USU room to the DSC; and be it further
- RESOLVED** that ASI requests the AB540 taskforce to continue assessing the needs of undocumented students to expand on the services offered by the DSC, and be it further
- RESOLVED** that the ASI Lobby Corps, Secretary for System Wide Affairs, and Secretary for AB540 and Undocumented Students all take an active role in supporting and promoting AB 2009, which encourages the California Community Colleges (CCC) and the California State University (CSU), and the University of California (UC), to establish a DREAM Resource Liaison on each campus; and be it further
- RESOLVED** that the ASI congratulates the Dream Success Center on its one-year anniversary; 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, AB540 Taskforce Chair Manuel Perez, DSC Director Rafael Topete, DSC Coordinator Edgar Romo, California State Student Association (CSSA), all current and future ASI officers, the Daily 49er, and the Union Weekly



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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