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ASUCD SENATE RESOLUTION #16

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THE ASUCD SENATE, BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 10-0-2, MOVED TO CONSIDER THIS RESOLUTION URGENT ON FEBRUARY 20, 2014. YES: GUPTA, LOKHANDWALLA, NONGA, SAHOTA, SHERMAN, SMYTHE, THOMAS, TORRES, WATSON, XIONG. ABSTAIN: MITCHELL, WONDERS.

An ASUCD Senate Resolution to address the University of California, Davis's response to the California's drought.

WHEREAS, California is in the midst of what many scientists, water regulators; and experts in hydrology are claiming to be one of the worst droughts in California's history; and,

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, California's Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. issued a proclamation that declared a state of emergency in response to present drought conditions and that calls on "all Californians to conserve water in every way possible"; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Brown's proclamation called on all state water users to reduce water consumption by 20%; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Brown's proclamation ordered that "State agencies, led by the Department of General Services, will immediately implement water use reduction plans for all state facilities. These plans will include immediate water conservation actions, and a moratorium will be placed on new, non-essential landscaping projects at state facilities and on state highways and roads"; and,

WHEREAS, the University of California, Davis is, by virtue of its status as part of the University Of California, a state agency; and,

WHEREAS, UC Davis uses a significant amount of water throughout many aspects of its operations; and,

WHEREAS, UC Davis is already taking steps towards implementing a drought action plan and has taken steps over the past decade to substantially reduce the amount of water it uses for landscaping for a host of action.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Associated Students, University of California, Davis commend UC Davis administrators, faculty, students and staff for their ongoing efforts to conserve water through direct action, the drafting of a drought action plan, and taking other measures to conserve water; and,

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, ASUCD encourages UC Davis administrators to take additional actions, such as enacting policies and programs that increase conservation, as well as engaging in efforts to raise awareness about the current water crisis; and,

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, ASUCD formally adopts the goal of reducing the water use of its units by 20% and encourages campus to formally adopt the goal of a 20% campus wide water use reduction; and,

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the ASUCD Senate encourages Chancellor Katehi to send a message to the entire UC Davis community that highlights the need for water conservation; and,

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the ASUCD calls on all its members and staff to do their part to conserve water and pursue a 20% reduction in their water use; and,

THEREFORE LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED THAT, copies of this resolution shall be sent to to Linda P.B. Katehi, Chancellor of the University of California, Davis; Ralph Hexter, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor; Adela de la Torre, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs; John Meyer, Vice Chancellor of Administrative and Resource Management; David Phillips, Director, Utilities, Allen Tollefson, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Facilities Management; Bob Segar, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Campus and Community Planning; Sid England, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability; Emily Galindo, Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs and Executive Director, Student Housing; all ASUCD Unit Directors; *The Davis Enterprise*; and *The California Aggie*.

Finance: No

Appropriation: None

Vote: Majority

DO PASS AS AMENDED, 9-0-3, BY A ROLL CALL OF THE ASUCD SENATE ON FEBRUARY 20, 2014. YES: GUPTA, LOKHANDWALLA, NONGA, SAHOTA, SHERMAN, SMYTHE, TORRES, WATSON, XIONG. ABSTAIN: MITCHELL, THOMAS, WONDERS.

Carly Sandstrom
ASUCD President

Date