

**2005-2006
ASUCSD Resolution # 18
April 19, 2006**

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Subject: Resolution for Armenian Genocide Remembrance Week

The A.S. Council approved the Resolution for Armenian Genocide Remembrance Week.
Document Attached.

Approved:	<u>10</u>
Against:	<u>5</u>
Abstain:	<u>2</u>

Council Approval;
Certified by:

Chair of the Council

Date

President of the Council

Date

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE WEEK RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Armenian people, living in their 3,000 year historic homeland in Armenia, were subjected to severe persecution and brutal injustice before and after the turn of the 20th century, including widespread massacres, theft of land and property, and acts of immoral destruction during the period from 1894 to 1896, and again in 1909; and

WHEREAS, The horrible experience of the Armenians at the hands of their oppressors culminated in 1915 in what is called by many historians as the "First Genocide of the Twentieth Century" and as the prototype of modern-day mass killing; and

WHEREAS, The Armenian Genocide began with the arrest, exile, and murder of hundreds of Armenian intellectuals and political, religious, and business leaders, starting on April 24, 1915; and

WHEREAS, From 1915 through 1923, between 600,000 and 1.5 million Armenians were subjected to torture, starvation, and extermination; and

WHEREAS, By honoring the survivors and consistently remembering and forcefully condemning the atrocities committed against the Armenian people we guard against repetition of the crime of genocide; and

WHEREAS, University of California, San Diego (UCSD) has a sizable population of Armenians, and each April UCSD students join the Armenian-American community in remembering the Armenian Genocide; and

WHEREAS, The Associated Students of the University of California, San Diego (ASUCSD) has been at the forefront in encouraging and promoting awareness relating to human rights and genocide in order to prevent recurrence of the crime of genocide; and,

WHEREAS, April 24th is recognized world wide by the countries that acknowledge it as a remembrance day for the Armenian Genocide;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the ASUCSD Council acknowledges the Armenian Genocide and recognizes April 24 as the official day to remember the atrocity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the ASUCSD Council supports the efforts of the Armenian-American community at UCSD to establish April 24 as the official Day of Remembrance for the Armenian Genocide; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the ASUCSD Council shall hold a moment of silence at the Associated Students meeting before April 24th; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the following:

- University of California Office of the President
- UCSD Office of the Chancellor
- Embassy of the Republic of Armenia
- Consulate General of the Republic of Armenia
- Daily Sundial