



## Resolution for Four Year Housing Guarantee at the University of California, San Diego

- WHEREAS,** it is the responsibility of the Associated Students of UC San Diego, hereafter named ASUCSD, “to advocate for [UC San Diego] students within the University, the community, the state, and the nation,” and the duty of the Senate of ASUCSD to “represent the interests and opinions of UC San Diego undergraduate students”;<sup>1</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** it is the mission of ASUCSD to facilitate and encourage students to grow and develop through their involvement in student government, its services and auxiliaries and to promote student engagement in all areas of campus life through leadership, advocacy, and service in order to build and strengthen the community;<sup>2</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** with its vision to encourage a future with new and innovative ideas to improve the community and approach problems, ASUCSD will advocate for the most basic of needs including housing through active collaboration and communication with students and administration; and
- WHEREAS,** in January 2016, UC President Napolitano announced a housing initiative aimed at supporting current students and future enrollment growth across the UC system, with the goal of ensuring that each campus has sufficient housing for its growing student population;<sup>3</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** ASUCSD is aware that housing is an integral part of the student experience and students who live on campus benefit both academically and socially;<sup>4</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** on-campus students were more engaged—that is, they devoted more time and effort to studies and other learning activities—in their place of residence;<sup>5</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** a demand for on campus student housing and a rise in off campus housing market prices force students to face housing insecurity in which they face adverse effects on their academic performance and mental health wellbeing<sup>6</sup>; and

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<sup>1</sup> AS University of California San Diego, <https://as.ucsd.edu/Home/Constitution>.

<sup>2</sup> AS University of California San Diego, <https://as.ucsd.edu/Home/About>.

<sup>3</sup> “The University of California’s next Phase of Improving Student Basic Needs,” <https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/regmeet/nov20/s1attach.pdf>, 28.

<sup>4</sup> “UCSD Expands Housing, Again Offers Housing Guarantee for Incoming Students,” [https://www.acuho-i.org/Portals/0/doc/Case-Campus-Housing\\_Students-Parents-Media.pdf](https://www.acuho-i.org/Portals/0/doc/Case-Campus-Housing_Students-Parents-Media.pdf), 4.

<sup>5</sup> “The Case for Campus Housing: Results from a National Study - ACUHO-I,” [https://www.acuho-i.org/Portals/0/doc/Case-Campus-Housing\\_Students-Parents-Media.pdf](https://www.acuho-i.org/Portals/0/doc/Case-Campus-Housing_Students-Parents-Media.pdf), 7.

<sup>6</sup> “UC housing crisis forces students into multiple jobs to pay rent, sleeping bags and stress,” <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-09-26/college-housing-shortage-pushes-students-into-crisis-as-most-uc-classes-start-up>

- WHEREAS,** additional on campus housing that is built and a guarantee to live on campus can help address the rise in student enrollment within the UC system and address housing insecurity;<sup>7</sup> and be it further
- WHEREAS,** as part of the Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program established by the state of California, UC San Diego successfully advocated and received \$100 million in state funding for the Pepper Canyon West Living and Learning Neighborhood, which will provide more than 1,300 single-occupancy rooms by 2024;<sup>8</sup> and
- WHEREAS,** with the opening of the Theater District Living and Learning Neighborhood in fall 2023, on August 25, 2022, UC San Diego announced that it would again offer a two-year undergraduate on-campus housing guarantee for incoming students;<sup>9</sup> and be it further
- RESOLVED,** ASUCSD calls on UC San Diego Chancellor Khosla to uphold the university’s vision to guarantee all undergraduate students the opportunity to live on-campus for up to 4-years at 20 percent below market cost; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** ASUCSD calls on UC San Diego to continue its advocacy efforts to secure additional on campus housing funding from the California State Legislature to meet the demand for on campus student housing; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** ASUCSD calls on the University of California Board of Regents and UC President Michael V. Drake to expand its funding support for on campus housing within the UC system to ensure students do not face housing insecurity and that 4-year housing commitments can be guaranteed to all campuses; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** ASUCSD calls on the University of California Board of Regents and UC President Michael V. Drake to set a date on an affordable 4-year housing guarantee to all University of California.
- RESOLVED,** that a copy of this resolution be distributed to California State Legislature, California Governor Gavin Newsom, UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep Khosla, UC San Diego Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Alysson Satterlund, UC San Diego Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life Patricia Mahaffey, UC San Diego Assistant Vice Chancellor for Housing, Dining, and Hospitality Hemlata Jhaveri, UC Student Association President, UC President Michael V. Drake, UC Regents Chair, UC Council of Presidents.

*The sponsors of this resolution are Sky Yang, President of the Associated Students; Nikki Saito, Vice President of External Affairs of the Associated Students.*

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<sup>7</sup>Person and Hans Johnson, “Enrollment Increases Will Require More Housing for UC and CSU Students,” Public Policy Institute of California (Public Policy Institute of California, August 22, 2022),

<https://www.ppic.org/blog/enrollment-increases-will-require-more-housing-for-uc-and-csu-students>.

<sup>8</sup> “UC San Diego Receives \$100 Million in State Funding for New Student Housing,”

<https://today.ucsd.edu/story/uc-san-diego-receives-100-million-in-state-funding-for-new-student-housing>

<sup>9</sup> “UCSD Expands Housing, Again Offers Housing Guarantee for Incoming Students,”

<https://timesofsandiego.com/education/2022/08/25/ucsd-expands-housing-again-offers-housing-guarantee-for-incoming-students/>