



May 8, 2016

Resolution Calling on all 23 CSU Campuses to Develop a Student-Centered Food Pantry and CalFresh Advising

WHEREAS, the California State Student Association (CSSA) is the single recognized voice of the 460,000 students in the California State University (CSU); and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of CSSA to foster and coordinate communication among campus student organizations to develop unity in addressing campus and statewide issues that affect CSU students and the CSU system; and,

WHEREAS, the CSU released a report in February 2016 stating that 24% of CSU students experience food insecurity; and,

WHEREAS, hunger, as well as the stress generated from food insecurity, impede on students' abilities to reach their full academic potential, and pose negative impacts on students' overall physical and mental health; and,

WHEREAS, providing students with free and easy access to food is an important step toward reducing food insecurity on CSU campuses; and,

WHEREAS, advising students interested in applying for CalFresh makes the process of receiving government food assistance easier and more accessible for many students; therefore be it:

RESOLVED, that CSSA requests that the Associated Students of each of the 23 CSU campuses develops, or works with an existing, campus food pantry and CalFresh advising program to address food insecurity; and,

RESOLVED that CSSA create a resource guide and guide of best practices for implementation of CSU food pantries and CalFresh advising programs; and,

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to, but not limited to: each of the 23 CSU Associated Students, and Associated Students Incorporations, the Office of the Chancellor, CSU Chancellor Timothy White, each of the CSU Presidents, the CSU Board of Trustees, the CSU Student Affairs Vice Presidents, the Dining Services of each of the 23 CSU campuses, California state senators and assembly members, the Student Affairs Vice Presidents of each of the 23 CSU campuses, and the student-run media of each of the 23 campuses.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Taylor Herren", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Taylor Herren, President 2015-16