Sixty-Second Legislative Council

of the

Hssociated Students

Begun and held at the University of California at Santa Barbara, in the City of Santa Barbara on the twenty-eight of September, two thousand eleven, in the sixty-second year of our association.

A Resolution

To Endorse Prop 1481, the Oil Extraction Fee

Whereas: The UC was cut by 650 Million dollars for 2011-2012 due to a state budget short fall and tuition rose by 17.5%.

Whereas: Public Education as a whole needs more funding and this fee can raise three billion dollars for education

Whereas: California is the only state without an oil extraction fee, others such as Texas and Alaska use such a fee to fund their higher education systems.

Whereas: Oil Companies make \$23 billion in profit from extracting California's natural oil reserves

Whereas: Dozens of Junior College Associated Students, ASCSULA, the Student Senate for California Community Colleges, and UCSA have endorsed this initiative, but no other UC has.

Whereas: We all are committed to saving all of public education, not just the UC.

Whereas: The money collected from this fee is guaranteed for public education.

Therefore let it be resolved by the Associated Students in the Legislative Council assembled:

We support the Oil Severance Fee, Prop 1481, as a path to ensure short term funding for California Public Education.

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