

Fifty Ninth Legislative Council
of the
Associated Students

Begun and held at the University of California at Santa Barbara, in the City of Santa Barbara on the twenty first day of October, two thousand nine, in the fifty ninth year of our association.

A Resolution

To
Support the Dream Act

Whereas: Each year 65000 U.S. raised students who would qualify for DREAM (Developmental, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors) Act's benefits graduate from high school;

Whereas: In past years it has garnered 48 senate cosponsored and more than 153 Republican and Democratic House co-sponsors, more than one-third of the House;

Whereas: The Federal Dream Act would repeal a measure that financially penalizes states for providing in-state tuition to their resident undocumented students, allowing more states to make college more affordable;

Whereas: The Federal Dream Act would make students eligible for federal loans and work study upon adjustment to their legal status;

Whereas: the Federal Dream Act would provide a pathway to citizenship by giving students conditional legal status for 6 years. Legal status becomes permanent once one of the following requirements is met:

- Serve in the U.S. Military for 2 years

- Receive a 2 or 4-year degree from a higher education institution, or must have maintained good academic standing for at least two years while working towards a bachelors degree or higher

Whereas: the United States Student Association, representing over 4.5 million students at over 400 campuses, has adopted the Federal Dream Act as an Action Agenda item and has dedicated resources towards it.

Therefore let it be resolved by the Associated Students in the Legislative Council assembled: the University of California, Santa Barbara Undergraduate Student Association urges Congress to pass the Federal Dream Act,

RESOLVED: the University of California, Santa Barbara Undergraduate Student Association shall join students from across the country in actively working to encourage the United States Congress to pass the Federal Dream Act by joining the United States Student Association's Dream Act Campaign.

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