SS-S19-2, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Honoring and Thanking Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier for His Service to the Senate and University

Legislative History: At its meeting of May 13, 2019, the Academic Senate unanimously approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Mathur from the floor of the Senate.

Sense of the Senate Resolution
Honoring and Thanking Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier for His Service to the Senate and University

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has been Chair of the Academic Senate for two terms, from 2017-2019; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier served the Senate and the University as Chair of the Senate’s Executive Committee, Instruction and Student Affairs, Faculty Recognition Luncheon, as well as serving on a number of other university committees, including his committed long-term service on the Writing Requirements Committee; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier co-chaired the Strategic Planning Steering Committee across his two years of service with two different co-chairs, that ultimately resulted in a 10-year strategic plan for the university; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has served on several search committees including the search for Vice President of Student Affairs and the search committee for the Dean of Humanities and the Arts (which he chaired); and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has remained throughout his time as Chair, a strong and enthusiastic supporter of our SJSU tradition of shared governance, collaboratively working and consulting with our stakeholders including our students, faculty, staff, administrators, and communities; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has encouraged a diversity of opinions, the opportunity to ask questions, and supported the value of open discussion on some very tough topics; and
Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has proactively engaged students in dialogue to gain their input and perspective; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has been a nurturing colleague, supporting senators (past and present) through personal and professional challenges; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J.S. Frazier has endured countless hours of ranting and raving that he has graciously ignored by the Senate Administrator over short deadlines; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has faithfully guided the development of policies throughout his time within the Senate with an eye to good ‘grammarly’ style and is persistent in utilizing his linguistic expertise to keep our policies free from grammatical errors; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier embodies the sound of the archetypal professor no matter to whom or which group he speaks, thereby elevating the role of Senate Chair; and

Whereas Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier has served the Senate with determination, resilience, strength behind-the-scenes, and an excellent sense of humor; therefore be it

Resolved that Dr. Stefan J. S. ‘Stef’ Frazier continue to serve in the Senate well-beyond his chairmanship, providing his rational perspectives, and to continue his willingness to strum his guitar and have a beer with his Senate colleagues; and be it further

Resolved that the Academic Senate of San José State University congratulate, thank, and commend Dr. Stefan J. S. Frazier for his effective, capable, and dedicated leadership.