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Associated Students, SJSU, Board of Directors' Resolution 08/09-02
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CAMPUSWIDE SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS AT SAN JOSÈ STATE UNIVERSITY

Whereas, Associated Students, SJSU is representative of the opinions and sentiments of more than 30,000 students; and

Whereas, California State University Executive Order No. 987 has set the goal to reduce energy consumption 15% by the end of fiscal year 2009/2010; and

Whereas, The City of San Jose serves as a symbol of innovation and a leader of ideas for the greater Silicon Valley whose mayor has laid before his constituents a "Green Vision", a plan to become a zero waste city with 100 percent landfill diversion and the development of 25,000 green collar jobs; and

Whereas, San Jose State University students, faculty, departments, and auxiliaries have shown an increasing trend toward more sustainable practices; and

Whereas, Associated Students and its respective departments have displayed a sense of shared responsibility in reducing waste, prioritizing recycling, reducing energy consumption and are encouraged to continue doing so through innovation and personal initiative; therefore be it;

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Resolved, That Associated Students, SJSU supports the use, sale, and accessibility of more fresh, organic and/or local produce on campus, a good example being the Spartan Smart Cart; therefore be it

Resolved, That Associated Students encourages and commends all of its departments' and the University's efforts to increase practical recycling habits, replace incandescent bulbs with fluorescents; procure environmentally responsible products, as well as efforts to switch to more recyclable or compostable materials; therefore be it

Resolved, That San Jose State University is encouraged by the Associated Students Board of Directors to meet the following sustainability goals within the next two (2) to five (5) years in order to reduce waste and therefore reduce the burden of cost:

(1) Centralize and further incentivize procurement of sustainable office and teaching related products
(2) Reduce the retail consumption of polystyrene, plastic bags, water bottles and virgin paper on campus.
(3) Foster interdisciplinary environmental literacy for all undergraduates
(4) Support the movement by recommending the hiring of a Sustainability Manager/Coordinator or adding additional responsibilities to an existing position in order to lead and maintain improvements to campus sustainability policy and coordinate efforts of all stakeholders.
(5) Present the American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment as well as the Talloires Declaration to President Whitmore for signing and execution; therefore be it;

Resolved, That Associated Students will make this document public and will forward this resolution to all affected parties and media sources, including but not limited to: The Spartan Daily, the San Jose Mercury News, the Academic Senate, San Jose State President Jon Whitmore, the San Jose City Council, San Jose Mayor Reed, Executive Director of Spartan Shops Jerry Mimnaugh, Cathy Busalacchi, Richard Kelley, and all Associated Students Managers.

Rationale, *Accomplishing these goals will contribute to a more sustainable campus, and a decrease in San Jose State University's overall carbon footprint.*

Respectfully submitted by:
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Passed and Adopted by the Associated Students of San José State University

Board of Directors at a regular meeting held February 11, 2009 by a vote of

13-Yea 0-Nay 0-Abstention 0-Absent

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Albert Hsieh, Vice President and Chair Date
Associated Students, SJSU