

**SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION
IN OPPOSITION TO THE ORDER TO END
THE DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS
PROGRAM (DACA)**

- Whereas, On September 5, 2017, the Trump Administration issued an order to end the program entitled “Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals” (DACA); and
- Whereas, DACA has, since its founding in June 2012, allowed hundreds of thousands of undocumented immigrants to fulfill their dreams of attending college and working in their professions to pursue gainful employment and actively contribute to society as well as support themselves, without the fear of being deported; and
- Whereas, The ending of DACA would overturn those dreams and goals for an estimated 800,000 people in the United States; and
- Whereas, An exact number of DACA students at SJSU is unknown as students only disclose DACA status if they are employed on campus; however, SJSU does have over 500 enrolled students who meet the requirements of AB 540 or AB 2000, which provide in-state tuition, and/or the California Dream Act, which provides access to financial aid eligibility; and
- Whereas, Those hundreds of students are major contributors to the diversity and rich multiculturalism that make SJSU an exemplary campus at which to learn, live, and work; therefore be it
- Resolved, That we, the Academic Senate of San José State University, declare our strong opposition to and condemnation of efforts to reject the principles exemplified by the DACA program; and be it further

- Resolved, That we call upon the U.S. Congress to replace the DACA program with equivalent legislation immediately, to allow our students, staff, and faculty to regain certainty and fairness in their lives; and be it further
- Resolved, That we fully embrace and support our DACA students and employees during this tumultuous and difficult time by finding ways to supplement the lost access to meaningful employment and in-state tuition afforded by DACA; and be it further
- Resolved, That we welcome and concur with the communications provided by the President of SJSU¹, the Chancellor of the California State University², and the leaders of California's Higher Education Segments³ on the need to continue the DACA program and continue support for DACA students and employees.

Approved by

Executive Committee: September 11, 2017

Vote: No dissent

Present: Frazier, Mathur, Papazian, Feinstein, Faas, Willey,
Wong(Lau), Manzo, Rose Riley, Shultz-Krohn, Shifflet, Peter

Absent: Van Selst

Curricular impact: None.

Financial impact: None.

Workload impact: None.

¹ Available at <http://blogs.sjsu.edu/newsroom/2017/president-papazians-message-on/>

² Available at <https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/news/Pages/Chancellor-White%27s-Message-to-CSU-Community-on-DACA.aspx>

³ Available at <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/sites/default/files/DACA-CA-Ed-Leaders-Letter-FINAL-9-5-17.pdf>