SM-S21-1, Senate Management Resolution, Amendment of Senate Standing Rule 7, Inclusion of Land Acknowledgement in the Academic Senate Agenda

Legislative History:
At its meeting of February 8, 2021, Senator Sasikumar presented and the Academic Senate approved the following Senate Management Resolution updating Standing Rule 7 to add the Land Acknowledgement to the Senate Agenda on behalf of the Organization and Government Committee.

Whereas: Land acknowledgements are important for recognizing past and current injustices to Native Americans; and

Whereas: It is important that the Academic Senate, as a visible space of leadership on this campus, incorporate a land acknowledgement in a public and official way; and

Whereas: Adding a land acknowledgement to the agenda as outlined in the Standing Rules will institutionalize it in Senate practice and philosophy beyond the current Senate Chair and any future chair; therefore be it

Resolved: That we amend Senate Standing Rule 7a to include ‘Land Acknowledgement’ after the Call to Order, and Roll Call if taken, and that we subsequently renumber the rest of the agenda outlined in the Standing Rule.

Approved: February 1, 2021

Vote: 11-0-0

Present: Altura, Birrer, de Bourbon, Grosvenor, Higgins, McClory, Millora, Okamoto, Sasikumar, Thompson, Taylor

Absent: Maciejewski

Financial Impact: None

Workload Impact: None