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Resolution Supporting Women's & Gender Studies Programs at the California State University

WHEREAS, Women's and Gender Studies programs are recognized as providing knowledge, awareness and critical insights into women's, gender and LGBTQ Studies, histories and experiences;

WHEREAS, these programs often focus on social justice, activism, and creating more equitable communities providing students tools to identify and challenge discrimination, sexism, racism, homophobia, and transphobia;

WHEREAS, recent national discourse and policy trends have included efforts to limit academic freedom, restrict discussions of gender and sexuality, and limit access to reproductive and civil rights;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of California State University Sacramento affirms its unyielding support of Women's & Gender Studies programs across the California State University, and further be it;

RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of California State University, Sacramento requests the General Education/Graduation Requirements Policies Committee to explore options for adding a course in Women's and Gender Studies and/or LGBTQ Studies as an undergraduate requirement for graduation, and finally be it;

RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to Sacramento State President J. Luke Wood, Associated Students Incorporated President Nataly Andrade Dominguez, Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost Erika Cameron, Vice President of Student Affairs Aniesha Mitchell, and Interim Chief Diversity Officer of Inclusive Excellence Michael Nguyen, all California State University Campus Faculty Senate bodies, Academic Senate of the California State University Chair Elizabeth Boyd, California State Student Association Chair Karen Carrillo, California State University Chancellor Mildred García; all remaining CSU Board of Trustees members; Governor Gavin Newsom, California State Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas, California State Assembly Speaker pro tempore Josh Lowenthal, California State Assembly Budget Committee Chair Jesse Gabriel, California State Assembly Higher Education Budget Subcommittee Chair David A. Alvarez, California State Senate President pro Tempore Mike McGuire, California State Senate Education Committee Chair Sasha Renée Pérez, California State Senator Damon Connolly, California State Senator Christopher Cabaldon.