

Resolution Condemning Hate Speech/Crimes

WHEREAS, Recent occurrences of hate speech appeared on campus facilities and were intended to be derogatory of many members of the California State University San Marcos (CSUSM) community; and

WHEREAS, The Academic Senate of CSUSM is dedicated to a learning environment that respects and enhances the potential of all members of its community; and

WHEREAS, CSUSM has named "inclusiveness" as a campus value, encompassing "individual and cultural diversity, and multiple perspectives;" and

WHEREAS, The CSUSM Academic Senate recognizes it cannot remain silent in the face of bigotry; and

WHEREAS, The CSUSM Academic Senate embraces the development of a diverse learning environment because it enhances the quality of the educational experience; and

WHEREAS, The faculty of CSUSM cherishes freedom of speech as a fundamental right and strongly advocates freedom of speech in all aspects of University life; and

WHEREAS, The faculty of CSUSM recognizes that the right to freedom of speech is not absolute and is subject to both legal restrictions and standards of civility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the CSUSM Academic Senate reaffirm its commitment to promote respect for and celebration of diversity in all aspects of University life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the CSUSM Academic Senate encourage all members of the University community to behave in a civil manner and to avoid and condemn any behavior that promotes hate or discrimination; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the CSUSM Academic Senate support the campus community's opposition to such behaviors and demand acceptance of and respect for all University community members; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be communicated to Associated Students, Inc., and to the entire University community.