

BOD 2021-22

11R Resolution to Support Bill 1655: Juneteenth State Holiday Act

WHEREAS, Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) of California State University, East Bay (CSUEB) is the recognized voice of approximately 14,000 students; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the ASI Board of Directors to advocate and provide responsible and effective leadership for a diverse student population in order to make sound decisions for the betterment of CSUEB students; and

WHEREAS, the CSUEB ASI Policy Agenda for 2021-2022 states that “basic needs, such as food, financial, and housing security, will be a priority,” Specifically priority #1 subheading Social Justice “We are advocating and extending support to marginalized communities. We will be thinking globally on issues affecting both students at CSUEB and worldwide. We will ensure that our members are actively engaged and working to become better allies for all students.”¹

WHEREAS, A step in extending our support to marginalized communities is making sure we educate ourselves on the topics involving the communities we stand as allies to; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth was the first major step of many in the fight for freedom and equality for Black Americans. Today, June 19th is celebrated across the nation as a day of hope and understanding of America’s troubled past;

WHEREAS, “AB Bill 1655 requires community colleges and public schools to close on June 19. The bill will also require the California State University, and request the University of California, to close campuses on June 19. The bill would require that state employees, with specified exceptions, be given time off with pay on June 19;”² and

¹ California State University, East Bay. Policy Agenda. Retrieved from:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1peXAn0YsvOx87qOm7Euyceg4Pj3oRamKMwaYxJ76jro/edit>

² https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1655



WHEREAS, By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose as a state-mandated local program.”; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that CSUEB ASI supports the observation of this holiday throughout CSU and UCs on the day of the holiday if it lands on a weekday. If Juneteenth lands on a weekend, CSUEB shall observe it the Friday before Juneteenth or Monday after Juneteenth; and


RESOLVED, that CSUEB ASI encourages the California State Student Association to continue their support for the bill, and encourage the rest of the California State University and the University of California to follow; and let it be finally


RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be distributed to the Governor Gavin Newsom, Senator Bob Hertzberg, Congressman Brad Hertzberg, Congressman Eric Swalwell, the CSU Board of Trustees, CSU Chancellor, our University President, Vice President for Student Affairs, Coordinator of the Diversity, Diversity and Inclusion Center, Executive Director for International Programs, President of the California State Student Association, Vice President of Legislative Affairs of the California State Student Association, President of the University of California Student Association, digitally to all students, and any other relevant parties.

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Approved On:

ASI President/CEO does hereby [] *approves* / [] *refuses to approve* this resolution.


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