WHEREAS, Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations as amended in January of 2013 indicates that “…no baccalaureate degree programs shall extend the unit requirement beyond 120 semester units [180 quarter units], with the exception of the Bachelor of Architecture, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Fine Arts, and Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degrees”; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Regulations allows for exemptions to the unit cap, as authorized by the California State University Chancellor; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) has passed a resolution in November 2013 titled “Recommendation to Amend Title 5 to Re-establish Appropriate Unit Limits for Engineering Degrees”, urging the CSU Board of Trustees to keep Title 5 consistent with prior engineering program unit limits; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Senate of Cal Poly Pomona has passed a resolution in October 2014 urging the campus administration to seek exemptions to Title 5; and
WHEREAS, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo has been granted extensions\(^4\) for several engineering majors to exceed the unit cap of 180 quarter units/120 semester units; and

WHEREAS, Cal Poly Pomona’s current engineering programs have approximately 129.3 semester units/194 quarter units; and

WHEREAS, lowering the engineering unit cap may inhibit General Education (GE) unit requirements; and

WHEREAS, the College of Engineering does not support sacrificing GE requirements for the sake of engineering majors, so as not to jeopardize the polytechnic nature of the campus; and

WHEREAS, exemptions will be pursued in order for the College of Engineering to stay competitive within its respective fields, as well as to address the unwarranted limitations to GE requirements; be it

RESOLVED, that the ASI Senate supports preserving the integrity of the College of Engineering’s programs, as well as acknowledges the well-rounded education that the GE program provides; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the students urge campus administration to actively seek and attain exemptions for all of the majors in the College of Engineering to the Title 5 unit cap limit as deemed appropriate; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution will be distributed widely, including, but not limited to the CSU Board of Trustees; Timothy White, CSU Chancellor; Soraya M. Coley, University President; Sylvia A. Alva, University Provost; University Academic Senate; the Dean’s office of the College of Engineering; along with Cal Poly Pomona students, staff, and faculty members.
