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## **A Resolution in Support of Registering Students to Vote**

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**WHEREAS:** The Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) is the elected student representatives of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly Pomona); and

**WHEREAS:** The ASI serves as an organized legislative body which conveys student ideas and concerns to the university; and

**WHEREAS:** The ASI is to inform the Senate and student body on news releases and other pertinent information from the Office of the Chancellor and the California State Student Association (CSSA)<sup>1</sup>; and

**WHEREAS:** A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was drafted in 2016 between Secretary of State, Alex Padilla, the California State University (CSU) Chancellor, Timothy White, and CSSA President, David Lopez, focusing on supporting student voter registration and education efforts across California<sup>2</sup>; and

**WHEREAS:** The expectations and commitments that the CSSA agreed to implement a comprehensive plan to increase student engagement, provide volunteer support, additional communications through online connections, field outreach to conduct nonpartisan voter registration, voter education, and “get out the vote” efforts on campuses; and

**WHEREAS:** “Only 52% of eligible youth aged 18-24 were registered to vote and only 8% of eligible youth voted in the 2014 national general election”<sup>3</sup>; therefore be it

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<sup>1</sup> <http://asi.cpp.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/ASI-By-laws.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/news/Pages/CSU-Enters-Historic-Partnership-with-California-Secretary-of-State's-Office-to-Register-Students-to-Vote.aspx>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/castudentvote/>

**RESOLVED:** That the ASI will lead the efforts on civic engagement and voter registration to the campus body; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the ASI will post social media messages leading up to voting days that highlight important deadlines regarding registration and engagement; and be it further

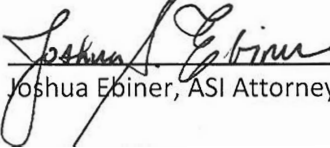

**RESOLVED:** That the ASI encourages Cal Poly Pomona to send out at least one campus-wide email regarding voter registration and civic engagement per academic year; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That ASI encourages Cal Poly Pomona to send out at least one voter registration reminder via the online student portal; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the ASI encourages Cal Poly Pomona to integrate a link to register to vote<sup>4</sup> on its BroncoDirect web portal; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the ASI encourages Cal Poly Pomona to integrate the voter registration software TurboVote<sup>5</sup> into its web portals to streamline voter registration for students; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That copies of this resolution be distributed widely, including, but not limited to: University President, Dr. Soraya M. Coley and her cabinet; the University Academic Senate; the University Staff Council; the California State Student Association, the California Secretary of State, Alex Padilla, the Poly Post; the ASI Student Government; the ASI staff; and the students of Cal Poly Pomona.

<b>FOR ASI USE ONLY:</b>	
<b>ASI Senate Approval Date:</b> <u>11/02/2017</u>	
<b>Verified By:</b>	
 Joshua Ebner, ASI Attorney General	<u>11/07/2017</u> Date
<b>Approved By:</b>	
 Farris Hamza, ASI President	<u>11/07/2017</u> Date

<sup>4</sup> <http://registertovote.ca.gov/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://turbovote.org/>