Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada

83nd Session, 2015-2016

A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE TO DEVELOP A NEED-BASED AID PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS AT UNVIERSITIES IN NEVADA

Resolution Number: 167

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Sponsored By: President Fabbi

Whereas, there is currently no need-based financial aid program offered by the state of Nevada for students who attend one of the two state universities;

Whereas, the Silver State Opportunity Grant Program was developed and passed by the Nevada State Legislature in the 2015 session- the first need-based aid program ever offered by the state. However, this program is only offered to students at the community colleges in the state;

Whereas, 33 percent of students at the University of Nevada, Reno are Pell Grant eligible, and financial need is certainly not limited to students at community colleges. Tuition rates are higher at universities and may lead to even more debt by lower-income students as opposed to students at community colleges;

Be it resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students that, the Senate encourages the state legislature to develop a need-based financial aid program for students at the universities in the state of Nevada in the 2017 legislative session

Be it further resolved that, a copy of this resolution is sent to President Marc Johnson, Vice President Shannon Ellis, Assemblywoman Amber Joiner, NSHE Chancellor Dan Klaich, Constance Brooks

Adopted in Senate on April 4th, 2016

Attest:

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Lexi Jacobson, Secretary of the Senate

Nicholas Andrew, Speaker of the Senate