

# 88<sup>th</sup> Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union – Rita Laden Senate Chambers &  
Zoom Meeting: Email Keegan Murphy at [Speaker@asun.unr.edu](mailto:Speaker@asun.unr.edu) for details

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER\***
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE\***
3. **ROLL CALL\***
4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT\***

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Speaker may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

## 6. **REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS**

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association, including the Secretary, to offer a report on his or her official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements he or she deems necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. President of the Associated Students, Dominique Hall
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Austin Brown
- c. Chief Justice, Paulina Pride
- d. Chief of Staff, Demitri Bannoura
- e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Nolan Lanza
- f. Director of Event Programming, Wes Fullmer
- g. Director of Legislative Affairs, Alexa Rangel
- h. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Priya Bajwa
- i. Director of Sustainability, Elizabeth Guillen
- j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Kyla Kwan
- k. Director of Campus Wellness, Parker Samuelson
- l. Attorney General, Paige Flippin
- m. Speaker of the Senate, Keegan Murphy

## 7. **REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES\***

The Speaker shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee, in alphabetical order, and then each special committee, in alphabetical order, to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting. The Speaker Pro Tempore and Parliamentarian will also give reports.

- a. Chair, Committee on Academics and Student Affairs--Senator Yang
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance--Senator Huber

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- c. Chair, Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement--Senator Doyle
- d. Chair, Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion--Senator Ribeiro
- e. Chair, Committee on Government Operations--Senator Supple
- f. Chair, Committee on the Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness--Senator Luers
- g. Speaker Pro-Tempore--Senator Supple
- h. Parliamentarian--Senator Harvey
- i. Chair, Committee on Oversight--Speaker Murphy

## **8. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS\***

The Speaker shall recognize in turn senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.

## **9. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT**

The Senate may reconsider acts vetoed by the ASUN President if they are returned by the President with his objections.

There are no veto messages at this time.

## **10. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have been previously been placed on the consent agenda. Such acts shall be considered adopted by consent, unless a single senator rises in objection thereto. All acts so objected are immediately placed on the end of the agenda for second reading.

There was no Legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

## **11. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION**

The following bills and resolutions will receive their first reading and may be considered under item 14 of this agenda:

- a. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of Nevada Question 2
- b. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative
- c. S.B. 88 – An Act to Create the Department of Sustainability
- d. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of A Nevada Dream Act

## **12. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION**

A senator may move that legislation under item 14 of this agenda be considered at this meeting. Such a motion shall only be in order provided that a one-day notice has been given to the speaker. The motion shall be decided without debate and shall require the consent of a two-thirds majority of the senate.

- a. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of Nevada Question 2
- b. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative

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- d. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of A Nevada Dream Act

For further detail on each of the listed action items please see the support documents posted with this agenda. All action items may consist of legislation and supporting material for each respective action item.

### **13. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE**

The Speaker shall refer all legislation read the first time and not fast tracked to committee.

There is no legislation to be considered for referral at this time.

### **14. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION**

The following bills and resolutions will receive their second reading and may be considered:

- a. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of Nevada Question 2
- b. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative
- c. S.B. 88 – An Act to Create the Department of Sustainability
- d. S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of A Nevada Dream Act

### **15. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

- a. **Senator Reports**

The Senate will share progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on.

- b. **Senate Committee Changes and Additions**

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments

### **16. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS\***

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes.

### **17. PUBLIC COMMENT\***

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on items on or off this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

### **18. ADJOURNMENT**

*Notes:*

*Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenda items are action items upon which the Senate may take action. Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Chair. ASUN supports providing equal access to all programs for people with disabilities. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide accommodations to people with disabilities attending the meeting. Please email the Senate Secretary at [SenateSecretary@asun.unr.edu](mailto:SenateSecretary@asun.unr.edu) as soon as possible to arrange for appropriate accommodation.*



From: Joshua Luers, College of Engineering

To: Speaker Murphy

Date: 08/19/2020

RE: 08/26/2020

Speaker Murphy,

Per Senate Binding Resolution 88- A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a, II.f.5.i, II.f.5.ix, and II.g.1, committees are not meeting at this time. With that, I ask that my legislation, Senate Resolution 88 – A Resolution in Support of Nevada Question 2 be fast tracked to the Senate body.

Respectfully,

Joshua Luers

Senator for the College of Engineering

Senate of the Associated Students

*Associated Students of the University of Nevada*

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88<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
2020-2021

**S. R. 88 -  
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEVADA  
QUESTION 2**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR BOURGAULT, KIDD, LUERS, AND TORRES TO THE  
COMMITTEE ON DEMOCRATIC CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

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**A Resolution in Support of Nevada Question 2**

*Whereas*, Nevada Question 2 aims to amend the Nevada Constitution to recognize the marriage of couples regardless of gender<sup>1</sup>;

*Whereas*, A "yes" vote supports this constitutional amendment to recognize marriage as between couples regardless of gender; state that religious organizations and clergypersons have the right to refuse to solemnize a marriage; and repeal Question 2 (2002), which defined marriage as between a male person and female person.

*Whereas*, A "no" vote opposes this constitutional amendment, thus keeping Question 2 (2002), which defined marriage as between a male person and female person, in the Nevada Constitution;

*Whereas*, changes to the Nevada Constitution can be found in Addendum A;

*Whereas*, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that constitutional phrases stating marriage is solely between a man and a woman are unconstitutional in the paramount case of *Obergefell v. Hodges*<sup>2</sup>;

*Whereas*, the Nevada Constitution should not reflect content that is federally unconstitutional;

*Whereas*, ASUN No Walls 2025 states that the University of Nevada, Reno works hard in, "Creating a campus that makes all people comfortable..."<sup>3</sup>;

*Whereas*, the fact that Nevada has neglected to recognize the LGBTQ+ community has been a consistent failure in our legislature;

*Whereas*, this question provides a ceremonial erasure of strictly heterosexual marriage in the Nevada Constitution;

*Be it Resolved*, the University of Nevada, Reno supports voting "Yes" on Question 2;

*Be it Further Resolved*, this legislation be sent to the following people:

- President of the University of Nevada-Reno, Marc Johnson
- Vice President of Student Services, Shannon Ellis
- Provost, Kevin Carmen

<sup>1</sup> [https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada\\_2020\\_ballot\\_measures](https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada_2020_ballot_measures)

<sup>2</sup> [https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/14pdf/14-556\\_3204.pdf](https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/14pdf/14-556_3204.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> <http://de5u0yfu98nbk.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/02142829/No-Walls-2025-AStudentVisOnForTheUniversityOfNevadaReno1.pdf>

- 25 • Nevada State Legislature, Democrat for Nevada State Assembly District 24, Sarah Peters
- 26 • ASUN Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Priya Bajwa

## Addendum A

**~~Limitation on~~ Recognition of Marriage**

~~Only a marriage between a male and female person shall be recognized and given effect in this state.~~

1. The State of Nevada and its political subdivisions shall recognize marriages and issue marriage licenses to couples regardless of gender.

2. Religious organizations and members of the clergy have the right to refuse to solemnize a marriage, and no person has the right to make any claim against a religious organization or member of the clergy for such a refusal.

3. All legally valid marriages must be treated equally under the law.<sup>[3]</sup>





From: Joshua Luers, College of Engineering

To: Speaker Murphy

Date: 08/19/2020

RE: 08/26/2020

Speaker Murphy,

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Respectfully,

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Senator for the College of Engineering

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88<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
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**S. R. 88 -  
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS  
INITIATIVE**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATORS BOURGAULT, KIDD, TORRES AND LUERS TO THE  
COMMITTEE ON SAFETY, SUSTAINABILITY, AND WELLNESS

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**A Resolution in Support of the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative**

1        *Whereas*, the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative requires Nevada’s Renewable Portfolio  
 2        Standard (RPS) to increase to 50 percent by 2030<sup>1</sup>;

3        *Whereas*, an RPS is a mandate to electric utilities to generate a minimum amount of electricity  
 4        from eligible renewable energy sources<sup>2</sup>;

5        *Whereas*, New York and New Jersey have already established the same RPS goal set forth<sup>3</sup>;

6        *Whereas*, eligible renewable energy sources include wind energy, solar energy, nuclear power,  
 7        geothermal energy, hydroelectric energy, and biomass<sup>4</sup>;

8        *Whereas*, the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative is an initiated constitutional amendment,  
 9        which needs to be approved in two consecutive even-numbered election years;

10       *Whereas*, in 2018, this ballot initiative was approved as Question 6, and therefore needs to be  
 11       approved again to amend the Nevada Constitution;

12       *Whereas*, Nevada voters passed Question 6 by a 59.28%-40.72% margin<sup>5</sup>;

13       *Whereas*, on April 22, 2019, Governor Steve Sisolak signed Senate Bill 358, which was designed  
 14       to accomplish the same RPS percentage (50) by 2030<sup>6</sup>;

15       *Whereas*, the Renewable Energy Standards Initiative is a stronger, binding constitutional  
 16       amendment to change Nevada’s RPS percentage;

17       *Whereas*, the chief executive officer and president of NV Energy Doug Cannon stated, “We are  
 18       proud to be delivering a renewable energy vision to our customers that also supports Nevada’s  
 19       economic and sustainability goals,” in favor of Nevada Question 2<sup>7</sup>;

20       *Whereas*, NV Energy has filed for lower rates as renewable energy has become more prominent,  
 21       saving \$31 million dollars for Nevadans<sup>8</sup>;

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<sup>1</sup> [https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada\\_Renewable\\_Energy\\_Standards\\_Initiative\\_\(2020\)](https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada_Renewable_Energy_Standards_Initiative_(2020))

<sup>2</sup> [https://ballotpedia.org/Renewable\\_Portfolio\\_Standard](https://ballotpedia.org/Renewable_Portfolio_Standard)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/renewable-portfolio-standards.aspx>

<sup>4</sup> [https://ballotpedia.org/Renewable\\_energy\\_resources](https://ballotpedia.org/Renewable_energy_resources)

<sup>5</sup> [https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada\\_Question\\_6,\\_Renewable\\_Energy\\_Standards\\_Initiative\\_\(2018\)](https://ballotpedia.org/Nevada_Question_6,_Renewable_Energy_Standards_Initiative_(2018))

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/80th2019/Bill/6651/Overview>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.nvenergy.com/about-nvenergy/news/news-releases/pucn-approves-1190-megawatts-of-new-solar-energy-590-megawatts-of-additional-energy-storage>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.nvenergy.com/alwayson/rate-decrease>

1       Whereas, wind and solar plants use substantially less water than non-renewable options which is  
2 highly impactful as Nevada is a desert<sup>9</sup>;

3       *Whereas*, the University supports sustainable initiatives in ASUN No Walls 2025, stating that the  
4 university aims to, “Create sustainability programs and projects that reduce the student carbon  
5 footprint,”<sup>10</sup>;

6       *Whereas*, the University of Nevada, Reno offers a minor in Renewable Energy and offers courses  
7 in Wind, Solar, and other renewable energies<sup>11</sup>;

8       *Whereas*, through its program and course offerings, it is clear that the Nevada System of Higher  
9 Education (NSHE) would favor a ballot question such as this one;

10       *Be it Resolved*, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada supports the Renewable  
11 Energy Standards Initiative as a means of providing more sustainable energy sources to the state  
12 of Nevada;

13       *Be it Further Resolved*, this legislation be sent to:

- 14       • President of the University of Nevada-Reno, Marc Johnson
- 15       • Vice President of Student Services, Shannon Ellis
- 16       • Provost, Kevin Carmen
- 17       • Nevada State Legislature, Democrat for Nevada State Assembly District 24, Sarah Peters
- 18       • Nevada Institute for Sustainable Energy, Chair M. Sami Fadali
- 19       • ASUN Director of Sustainability, Elizabeth Guillen

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<sup>9</sup> <https://www.ucsusa.org/resources/energy-and-water-use>

<sup>10</sup> <http://de5u0yfu98nbk.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/02142829/No-Walls-2025-AStudentVisOnForTheUniversityOfNevadaReno1.pdf>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.unr.edu/degrees/renewable-energy>



From: Lauren Harvey, College of Liberal Arts

TO: Speaker Murhpy

Date: August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020

RE: August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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Hello Speaker Murphy,

Please accept the attached legislation to agendize for the upcoming senate meeting on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. Senators Torres, Keller and I have worked diligently on **S.R. 88 – A Resolution in Support of a Nevada Dream Act**, and Director Guillen and I are confident about **S.B. 88 – An Act to Create the Department of Sustainability**.

Best,

Lauren Harvey

Parliamentarian

Seantor for the College of Liberal Arts

Senate of the Associated Students

*Associated Students of the University of Nevada*

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

88<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
2020-2021

**S. B. 88-**  
**AN ACT TO CREATE THE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR HARVEY AND DIRECTOR GUILLEN TO THE  
SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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**An Act to Create the Department of Sustainability**

1       *Whereas*, the Association currently has one Director of Sustainability, tasked with all issues of  
2 environmental sustainability as it relates to the Association;

3       *Whereas*, the Director is commonly overworked due to the myriad of tasks assigned to the  
4 position;

5       *Whereas*, the incorporation of an Assistant Director within the ASUN bylaws would permit the  
6 Director more flexibility in completing the Director's duties of office and ensure a more effective  
7 Department;

8       *Whereas*, in congruence with SAS 402.03, the Director of Sustainability will be established as a  
9 Level II employee of the appointed officer payscale and the Assistant Director will be established as  
10 a Level III employee of the appointed officer payscale;

1        *Be it Resolved*, this legislation be enacted for the 89th Session of the Associated Students of the  
2        University of Nevada;

3        *Be it Further Resolved*, the Statutes of the Associated Students be updated to reflect the changes in  
4        Addendums A through D.

## Addendum A

### ~~CHAPTER 207: DIRECTOR OF SUSTAINABILITY~~

#### **SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT**

There is hereby a Director of Sustainability, appointed by the President, with the consent of the Senate.

#### **SECTION 02: MISSION**

The ASUN Director of Sustainability is to be well informed on issues of environmental concern that affect the students of our university. The Director is committed to pursuing initiatives that improve the eco-friendliness and overall sustainability of the university. The Director will program various events and activities that promote the sustainability and environmental awareness of university students.

#### **SECTION 03: DUTIES**

The Director of Sustainability shall:

- a) Develop relationships with and meet regularly with leaders from the environmental and sustainability-related student organizations
- b) Develop a working relationship with the Assistant Director of Environmental Programs, and other related environmental and sustainability offices, or offices which would benefit from sustainability advocacy.
- c) Proactively address environmental and sustainability concerns and policy issues in areas of Campus Life including, but not limited to, transportation, food and dining, facilities, recycling and waste, or any area the Director identifies as a current priority.
- d) Serve on university committees and task forces relating to sustainability, such as the University Sustainability Committee, Arboretum Board, and Campus Bicycle Committee Bicycle Working Group.
- e) Oversee and execute the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund Program
- f) Execute any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of the Director of Sustainability
- g) Program or support events for nationally recognized holidays relevant to environmental preservation, such as Public Lands Day, Earth Day, and Arbor Day.
- h) Pursue various means of improving the campus transportation system that prioritizes walking, biking, public transportation, and shared commuting
- i) Act as a Consultant and sustainability advocate to the Senate of the Associated Students and other offices by conveying information and data related to sustainability issues concerning



~~university students and new initiatives, and events.~~

~~j) Have a report read or spoken into the record at minimum every other Senate meeting.~~

~~k) Attend Senate Committee Meetings should they deal with the themes of Sustainability and give a~~

~~written or in person report about those topics to the Committee Chair.~~

#### **~~SECTION 04: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS~~**

~~There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the support of the Department.~~

## Addendum B

### CHAPTER 207: DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY

#### SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established a Department of Sustainability as an executive department of the Association.

#### SECTION 02: MISSION

The primary mission of the Department is to:

- a) Pursue initiatives that improve the eco-friendliness and overall sustainability of the university and the Reno community
- b) Ensure that the student body is well educated and aware of issues pertaining to sustainability on the local and national level
- c) Host events that are both engaging and informational for students to learn about sustainability and how to adopt a sustainable lifestyle
- d) Execute the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund
- e) Other matters properly relating thereto

#### SECTION 03: STRUCTURE

The Department of Sustainability shall consist of a Director and one Assistant Director

#### SECTION 04: DIRECTOR OF SUSTAINABILITY

IN GENERAL: There is a Director of Sustainability, appointed by the President, with the consent of the Senate.

Head of Department: The Director will be the head of the Department, and shall have the direction, authority, and control over it.

Functions:

- a) Develop relationships with and meet regularly with leaders from environmental and sustainability related student organizations
- b) Develop a working relationship with the Assistant Director of Environmental Programs, and other related environmental and sustainability offices, or offices which would benefit from sustainability advocacy.
- c) Proactively address environmental and sustainability concerns and policy issues in areas of Campus Life including, but not limited to, transportation, food and dining, facilities, recycling and waste, or any area the Director identifies as a current priority.
- d) Serve on university committees and task forces relating to sustainability, such as the University Sustainability Committee, Arboretum Board, and Campus Bicycle Committee
- e) Oversee and execute the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund Program
- f) Execute any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of the Director of Sustainability
- g) Pursue various means of improving the campus transportation system that prioritizes walking, biking, public transportation, and shared commuting
- h) Act as a Consultant and sustainability advocate to the Senate of the Associated Students and other offices by conveying information and data related to sustainability issues concerning university students and new initiatives, and department information.
- i) Have a report read or spoken into the record at minimum every other Senate meeting.

- j) Attend Senate Committee Meetings should they deal with the themes of Sustainability and give a written or in-person report about those topics to the Committee Chair.
- k) Develop a departmental strategic plan for the session to be presented to the president in order ensure equal distribution of tasks and infrastructure for the department's mission
- l) The Director shall recommend to the President of the Association appointments of students to the Department.
- m) To present a new appointment to the Senate of the Associated Students within the following two weeks of said committee or Senate meeting if an executive appointment is reported unfavorably by the Senate Committee on Oversight or if an appointee is not passed by the Senate, or in the event that the President is unable to find a qualified candidate within those two weeks, the President must present to the Committee on Oversight and explain the circumstances.
- n) To chair and oversee all meetings of the Department of Sustainability.
- o) Maintain a living document to record potential future projects and director notes to be stored in the NevadaBox.

#### **SECTION 05: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EVENTS AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

- a) **IN GENERAL:**  
There will be an Assistant Director, appointed by the Director, with the consent of the Senate.
- b) **FUNCTIONS:**
  - 1) Act as the Director of Sustainability in the Director's absence or at the Director's request
  - 2) Work with the department of programming to host year-round events with themes of sustainability
  - 3) Work year-round with any officers hosting events to help make the events as sustainable as possible
  - 4) Program and promote events for nationally recognized holidays relevant to environmental preservation, such as Public Lands Day, Earth Day, and Arbor Day.
  - 5) Perform any tasks pertaining to department marketing and promotion
  - 6) Work on community projects involving the university and off-campus partners including but not limited to: UPASS, campus composting, etc.
  - 7) Act as a standing member of the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund committee

#### **SECTION 06: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the support of the Department.

## Addendum C

### CHAPTER 502: EXECUTIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

#### SECTION 04: MAKE UP

The Executive Branch may appoint interns. Each of the following positions shall have at least one and no more than two interns: President, Vice President, Chief of Staff, Director of Sustainability, the Department of Sustainability's Assistant Director of Events and Community Projects, Director of Campus and Public Relations, Director of Campus Wellness, and the Attorney General. The Directors of Event Programming and Clubs and Organizations have the discretion and ability to have up to two interns, but are not required to hire one. The number of Executive Branch Interns accepted into the program will be no more than eighteen (18) interns.

## Addendum D

### CHAPTER 402: APPOINTED OFFICERS

#### SECTION 03: OFFICIALS COVERED BY PAY SCALE

The following elected officials are included in the pay scale:

- a) Level I:
  - 1) Director of Clubs and Organizations
  - 2) Director of Programming
  - 3) Speaker of the Senate
    - i. The Speaker shall receive the compensation in lieu of that of a Senator or Chair
- b) Level II:
  - 1) Assistant Directors of Programming
  - 2) Attorney General
  - 3) Director of Legislative Affairs
  - 4) Presidential Assistant on Campus and Public Relations
  - 5) Director of Diversity and Inclusion
  - 6) Chief Presidential Aid
  - 7) Assistant Director of Clubs and Organizations
  - 8) Director of Sustainability
- c) Level III:
  - 1) Assistant Director of Legislative Affairs
  - 2) Assistant Director of Student Engagement
  - 3) Policy Analyst
  - 4) Policy Director
  - 5) Programmers
  - 6) Projects Coordinator
  - 7) Projects Director
  - 8) Club Commissioner
  - 9) Assistant Director of Campus and Public Relations
  - ~~10) Director of Sustainability~~
  - 11) Assistant Director of Sustainability

- 12) Assistant Director of Diversity and Inclusion
- 13) Diversity and Inclusion Commissioners
- 14) Director of Campus Wellness
- d) Level IV:
  - 1) Chief Justice
  - 2) Associate Justice
  - 3) Speaker Pro-Tempore
    - i. The Speaker Pro-Tempore shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.
  - 4) Senate Committee Chairs
    - i. Senators who are also Senate Committee Chairs shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.
    - ii. A Senator who serves as the chair of a special committee shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

88<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
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**S. R. 88-  
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A  
NEVADA DREAM ACT**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR HARVEY, SENATOR TORRES, AND SENATOR KELLER  
TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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**A Resolution in Support of a Nevada Dream Act**

1       *Whereas*, an undocumented immigrant is defined by Educators for Fair  
 2 Consideration(E4fC) as the following: “a foreign national who: (1) entered the United States  
 3 without inspection or with fraudulent documents; or (2) entered legally as a nonimmigrant  
 4 but then violated the terms of his or her status and remained in the United States without  
 5 authorization”<sup>1</sup>;

6       *Whereas*, a 2020 report of undocumented students in higher education shows that there  
 7 are currently about 450,000 undocumented students enrolled in higher education in the  
 8 United States, representing roughly two percent of all students in the U.S.<sup>2</sup>;

9       *Whereas*, the University of Nevada, Reno estimates that there are about 13,000 DACA  
 10 recipients within the state of Nevada; this number not including non-DACA undocumented  
 11 students<sup>3</sup>;

12       *Whereas*, students within the United States who have no social security number do not  
 13 qualify for federal aid, thus prohibiting them from any FAFSA benefits, federal emergency  
 14 financial aid, and most state and local scholarships;

15       *Whereas*, the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, a  
 16 piece of bipartisan federal legislation originally introduced in 2001<sup>4</sup>, would provide a pathway  
 17 for undocumented immigrants who grew up in the United States to apply for permanent  
 18 legal status and citizenship given that they attend an institution of higher learning or enlist in  
 19 the military<sup>5</sup>;

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<sup>1</sup>[https://my.academyart.edu/content/dam/assets/pdf/undoc\\_stud\\_overview.pdf#:~:text=An%20undocumented%20student%20is%20a%20foreign%20national%20who%3A,%28as%20defined%20by%20the%20National%20Immigration%20Law%20Center%29.](https://my.academyart.edu/content/dam/assets/pdf/undoc_stud_overview.pdf#:~:text=An%20undocumented%20student%20is%20a%20foreign%20national%20who%3A,%28as%20defined%20by%20the%20National%20Immigration%20Law%20Center%29.)

<sup>2</sup> [HigherEd brief V3-1.pdf](#)

<sup>3</sup> <https://unr.scalefunder.com/cfund/project/21372>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/research/dream-act-daca-and-other-policies-designed-protect-dreamers>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.nilc.org/issues/immigration-reform-and-executive-actions/dreamact/dreamsummary/>

1       *Whereas*, the DREAM Act would also repeal section 505 the Illegal Immigration Reform  
2 and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, which prevents states from providing financial  
3 benefits to undocumented college students<sup>5</sup>

4       *Whereas*, since its introduction, the DREAM Act has consistently failed to pass in both  
5 congressional houses; the closest votes to full passage occurring in 2010, with just 5 votes  
6 short need to pass<sup>4</sup>;

7       *Whereas*, the California Dream Act Application, signed into California law in 2011, is  
8 the financial aid application for students who meet the non-resident exemption requirements  
9 under AB540<sup>6</sup>;

10       Whereas, students who meet certain provisions under the California Dream Act are  
11 eligible for “state-administered financial aid and community college fee waivers”<sup>6</sup>;

12       *Whereas*, these provisions (AB540) include: attending a California high school for at  
13 least 3 years, graduated or attained the equivalent (usually by passing the GED or California  
14 high school proficiency exam), register in an accredited or qualifying California college or  
15 university, and (if you are considered an undocumented immigrant) file for legal immigration  
16 status or will file as soon as possible<sup>6</sup>;

17       *Whereas*, many undocumented students experience educational barriers because of  
18 their legal status, resulting in a higher-than-average drop out rate. This, in turn, costs  
19 taxpayers millions of dollars each year<sup>7</sup>;

20       *Whereas*, Title IV, chapter XV of the Board of Regents Handbook indicates that  
21 undocumented students are eligible to receive in-state tuition if they graduate from a Nevada

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<sup>6</sup> [California-dream-act](#)

<sup>7</sup> [https://americasvoice.org/research/reasons\\_to\\_support\\_the\\_dream\\_act/](https://americasvoice.org/research/reasons_to_support_the_dream_act/)



high school<sup>8</sup>, however there is no legislative backed policy protecting undocumented students' access to in-state tuition, thus making current policies vulnerable to opposition and repeal;

*Whereas*, a Nevada DREAM Act can help eliminate these barriers, increase retention rates, and enable more students to enroll in college;

*Whereas*, the implementation of a Nevada DREAM Act would provide for better financial support of Nevada's undocumented college student population through potential scholarship, loans, grants, and other provisions as Nevada legislators see fit;

*Whereas*, many of the arguments against the establishment of a state sponsored or federal Dream Act stem from myths or common misconceptions about the Dream Act's function and purpose. These misconceptions include but are not limited to: granted amnesty, the sponsoring of relatives, and allowing those within the Dream Act to become U.S citizens before those who came legally<sup>9</sup>;

*Whereas*, the reinforcement of national borders as rigid and unbreakable erases the intersectionas of social impact of the Dream Act, which includes economic progress, the correlation between education and crime decrease, as well as the destigmatization of undocumented students being a threat to national security<sup>10 11</sup>;

*Whereas*, the passage of a national DREAM Act would increase U.S. revenues by \$1.7 billion over ten years and reduce deficits by about \$2.2 billion over the 2011-20 period<sup>12</sup>;

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<sup>8</sup> <https://nshe.nevada.edu/wp-content/uploads/file/BoardOfRegents/Handbook/title4//T4-CH15%20Regulations%20for%20Determining%20Residency%20and%20Tuition%20Charges.pdf>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.nilc.org/issues/immigration-reform-and-executive-actions/dreamact/dream-correcting-myths-misperceptions/#:~:text=%20MYTH%3A%20The%20DREAM%20Act%20is%20a%20massive,to%20consider%20the%20special%20equities%20and...%20More%20>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.thoughtco.com/what-is-the-dream-act-1951750#:~:text=The%20DREAM%20Act%20could%20be%20the%20catalyst%20for,and%20energy%20to%20a%20nation%20that%20embraces%20them.>

<sup>11</sup> <https://voxeu.org/article/why-education-reduces-crime>

<sup>12</sup> <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/DREAM-Act-WhiteHouse-FactSheet.pdf>

1        *Whereas*, as Senator Richard Durbin of Illinois states, “We can allow a generation of  
2 immigrant students with great potential and ambitions to contribute more fully to our society  
3 . . . or we can relegate them to a future in the shadows, which will be a loss for all  
4 Americans.”<sup>13</sup>:

5        *Be it Resolved*, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada, Reno support the  
6 implementation of a Nevada DREAM Act to provide necessary financial support to the  
7 state’s undocumented student population;

8        *Be it further resolved*, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada, Reno  
9 recommend the Nevada State Legislature to submit a bill draft request during the upcoming  
10 legislative session;

11        *Be it further resolved*, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada, Reno urge  
12 other governing bodies within the state of Nevada to advocate for the passage of a Dream  
13 Act or similar provision;

14        *Be it Further Resolved*, this legislation be sent to Assemblywoman Sarah Peters, NSHE  
15 Regent Jason Geddes, NSHE Regent Rick Trachok, and City Council Member Neoma  
16 Jardon.

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<sup>13</sup> <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/blog/2010/12/01/get-facts-dream-act>