

*Respectfully submitted to the Board of Directors of California State University, Los Angeles,
Associated Students, Incorporated
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**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EDUCATING STUDENTS ON
THE NEW HEALTHCARE OPTIONS OFFERED TO THE CSULA COMMUNITY**

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WHEREAS, the Associated Students, Incorporated (A.S.I.) is the single recognized voice for nearly 22,000 students at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA); and

WHEREAS, A.S.I. provides an official voice through which student opinion may be expressed, advocates for the rights and interests of students, and supports the educational, social, physical and cultural well-being of the university community; and

WHEREAS, as outlined in the 2013-14 A.S.I. Vision Statement, A.S.I. remains committed to advocating for a student-centered campus that is academically enriched and committed to student empowerment, leadership development, and involvement opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in accomplishing the A.S.I. Vision Statement, A.S.I. is responsible for informing students of key legislation that will affect them, including the new healthcare options available to students and their families; and

WHEREAS, the CSU is the nation's most diverse university system, serving 437,000 students from various ethnic backgrounds and historically underserved and underrepresented communities; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30 percent of the CSU system's students are uninsured, with the proportion varying by campus¹; and

WHEREAS, The federal Affordable Care Act, (ACA), provides Americans with better health security by putting in place comprehensive health insurance reforms that will expand coverage, hold insurance companies accountable, lower health care costs, guarantee more choice, and enhance the quality of care for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Covered California is the new online market place designated to assist Californians with access to affordable, quality health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the ACA requires most individuals to have health coverage by March 31, 2014 or pay a penalty fee of \$95 per adult or 1% of your income, whichever is higher, in 2014; and

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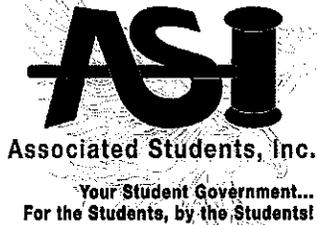
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1 Poll released by the Department of Public Health at California State University, Los Angeles:

http://web.calstatela.edu/academic/hhs/ph/PDF/CSU_Insurance_Poll_Report.pdf

2 Covered California Resource Page: <https://www.coveredca.com/FAQs/#faq-0>

3 Covered California Exemptions: <https://www.healthcare.gov/exemptions/>



WHEREAS, Americans making less than \$45,960 as an individual or \$94,200 as a family unit of four may be eligible for free or low-cost health insurance due to cost assistance subsidies such as tax credits that reduce premium costs and cost sharing²; and

WHEREAS, some individuals may be exempt from paying a penalty, including:

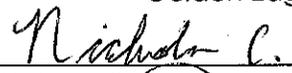
- those who have to pay more than 8% of their income for health insurance,
- those with incomes below the threshold required for filing taxes,
- those who qualify for religious exemption ,
- undocumented immigrants,
- incarcerated individuals,
- members of federally recognized American Indian tribes and Alaskan Natives³; and

WHEREAS, a significant expansion of MediCal will allow low-income, single adults access to government subsidized health care; therefore let it be

RESOLVED, that the A.S.I. recognizes the importance of providing information on affordable options for the CSU student population; be it further

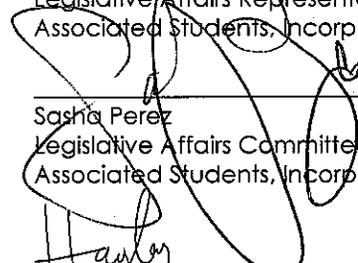
RESOLVED, that the A.S.I. officers of CSULA will take an active role in advocating for the education of students on healthcare options available to them, and informing students on the workshops offered by Dr. Zelman and his colleagues; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution will be distributed widely, including, but not limited to, The President of the United States Barack Obama, CSU Chancellor Timothy P. White, the CSULA Campus President William A. Covino, the California State Student Association, the California Faculty Association, the CSULA University Times, Golden Eagle Television and Golden Eagle Radio.



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