

A RESOLUTION TO HELP LOCAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Community service is highly important to our society and communities; and
- 2 **WHEREAS**, high school (8th-12th grade) students who are involved in afterschool volunteer activities
- 3 such as Key Club, Kiwanis Club, Interact Club and Leo Club have a higher chance of being accepted into
- 4 college; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, Community service provides positive economic benefits and allows for students to know
- 6 their students
- 7 **WHEREAS**, high schools should demand more of students in terms of graduation requirements; now
- 8 **THEREFORE**, be it resolved a minimum of 40 hours of community service will be added to the
- 9 California High School Graduation requirements.

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A Bill to Halt THAAD

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **Section 1.** The United States will immediately cease development and deployment of the Terminal
3 High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) system.

4 **Section 2.** THAAD is a missile defense system intended for deployment in South Korea.

5 **Section 3.** The Department of Defense will oversee implementation of this legislation.

6 **SECTION 4.** This will take effect immediately upon passage.

7 **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A RESOLUTION TO PROMOTE ENGAGEMENT WITH AFRICA

1 **WHEREAS:** The US has had an influence on African development for decades, and

2 **WHEREAS:** China has been seeking to extend its sphere of influence into Africa, particularly looking for
3 economic expansion such as acquiring natural resources, and

4 **WHEREAS:** Many are speculating that the election of Donald Trump threatens to drive many African
5 nations away from the U.S. and toward better relations with China, and

6 **WHEREAS:** An increase in Chinese international influence will potentially have a net negative effect on
7 U.S. international influence, and

8 **WHEREAS:** The main plank of our platform for African relations has been through the promotion of
9 human rights, therefore

10 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:**

11 That the United States should enact a diplomatic reaffirmation of our commitment to the promotion,
12 preservation, and advancement of human rights in African nations. This reaffirmation will include
13 open discussion with governmental leaders, on a nation-by-nation basis, to determine the best
14 means for attention to individual national human rights interests.

A RESOLUTION TO SWITCH TO USE THE POPULAR VOTE

1 **Whereas:** The electoral college system was created at a time of vast state
2 discrimination, and

3 **Whereas:** Modern American democratic process is predicated on the belief that
4 elections follow the will of the people, and

5 **Whereas:** 2 of the last 3 Presidential elections have been determined by the electoral
6 college vote, which was different from the popular vote, and

7 **Whereas:**Protests over the election results have erupted across the United States,
8 involving millions of Americans and

9 **Whereas:** Senator Boxer has introduced a bill to begin the process for changing the
10 electoral process, therefore

11 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:**

12 That Congress should pass Senator Boxer's proposal to abandon the use of the
13 electoral college and instead switch to the use of the popular vote in determining
14 elections for the President and Vice President of the United States.

**A Bill to Promote Water Conservation through
The Development of Green Infrastructure**

1 **Whereas:** climate change has led to dramatic reductions in available sources of fresh water, and

2 **Whereas:** fresh water is increasingly our most precious natural resource, and

3 **Whereas:** most natural precipitation is not effectively captured or reclaimed for consumption, and

4 **Whereas:** storm-water runoff collected via traditional means of gutters and other engineered
5 collection systems is a major source of water pollution

6 **Therefore be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled, that:**

7 **Section 1:** Under guidance of the Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Energy, the
8 USFG will provide federal grants totaling no more than \$10 Billion annually for the next five years to
9 support the development of green infrastructure.

10 **Section 2:** Green infrastructure is defined as an approach to water management that protects, restores
11 and mimics the natural water cycle.

12 **Section 3:** Federal grants will be given to both private and public companies that show promise in
13 helping to create effective water management and conservation systems.

A BILL TO REFORM PRISON SENTENCING LAWS
AND REDUCE RECIDIVISM RATES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **Article I:** Approximately 50% of the Federal Bureau of Prisons population are serving drug related
2 sentences, many under long-term mandatory sentencing guidelines which focus on punishment
3 rather than treatment. These existing and all future drug related sentences will include mandatory
4 treatment in drug rehabilitation programs.

5 **Article II:** Drug rehabilitation programs will be defined as the processes of medical or
6 psychotherapeutic treatment, for dependency on psychoactive substances and will include
7 mandatory therapeutic aftercare for 12 months following release.

8 **Article III:** The Bill will go into effect on January 1, 2016

9 **Article IV:** Implementation and oversight of this legislation will be handled by the National Institutes
10 of
11 Health and the United States Department of Justice.

12 **A.** All persons convicted of a drug related crime will be required to participate in a drug
13 rehabilitation treatment program which includes 12 months of therapeutic aftercare. Programs
14 will be designed by the National Institutes of Health.

15 **B.** The annual budget for the Federal Bureau of Prisons will be increased by 15% for the next 10
16 years to meet the costs of all new treatment programs.

17 **C.** All mandatory minimum sentencing guidelines for drug-related convictions will be eliminated.

Article V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Reform NCAA Rules

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All college athletes that earn money for their colleges and conferences shall be considered
2 employees of the college and conference. The NCAA shall begin to give stipends to students
3 proportionately to their skill level.

4 **SECTION 2.** A stipend is a fixed regular sum paid as 11. a salary or allowance.

5 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of Labor shall 13. oversee the implementation of this bill. The US
6 Department of Justice shall oversee any disputes about contracts or licensing.

7 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented November 8, 2017. (The beginning of the entire NCAA
8 season).

9 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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