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SAFE PARKING PROGRAMS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Student Senate for California Community Colleges approved Resolution S19-A-R-04 Overnight Parking¹ in 2019 calling on California Community Colleges to introduce overnight parking permits and clearly state their overnight parking policies on their website;

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 302 (2019)² was introduced and was supported by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges in 2019, which aimed to allow overnight parking for California Community College students, but was shelved due to inactivity and was not passed into law;

WHEREAS, from 2019 to 2022, the number of people in the state of California who stay in homeless shelters increased by 33% and the number of people in the state of California who are considered homeless and “unsheltered” grew 7%³, and while California makes up less than 12% of the country’s population, it makes up 30% of the country's homeless population⁴;

WHEREAS, a 2020 study showed that homelessness impacts California Community College students disproportionately when compared to California State University and University of California students, with one in five California Community College students experiencing homelessness compared to one in ten and one in twenty California State University and University of California students, respectively⁵;

WHEREAS, Moorpark College does not currently have a Safe Parking Program⁶, whereas other comparable California community colleges do⁷;

WHEREAS, Moorpark College currently allows students to utilize their restroom and shower facilities during hours set by the Moorpark College President, but does not extend these services to students during nighttime hours and restricts the services to students enrolled in six or more units⁸;

WHEREAS, that the Associated Students of Moorpark College (ASMC) Board of Directors recognizes the right to sleep in a safe and sheltered place as a human right;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASMC Board of Directors strongly advocate for increased funding towards overnight campus police, overnight restroom and shower facilities, and safe spaces for overnight students to charge electronics and use campus WiFi in the implemented Safe Parking Program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASMC Board of Directors will collaborate with Raider Central to bring awareness to the issues of homelessness and housing insecurity through outreach, events, and initiatives on the Moorpark College campus, as well as support the student services related to basic needs and housing insecurity currently available on campus;

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, that the ASMC Board of Directors call on Moorpark College and the VCCCD to establish a Safe Parking Program for students facing homelessness or housing insecurity;

ENACTED, that the ASMC Board of Directors call on the California State Assembly to re-introduce a bill allowing overnight parking on California Community College campuses;

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the ASMC Board of Directors call on Moorpark College and the VCCCD to study comparable colleges' Safe Parking Programs and enact the best practices in their own program for Moorpark College students.

Citations:

1. [SSCCC Resolution S19-A-R-04 Overnight Parking \(2019\)](#)
2. [California A.B. 302 \(2019\)](#)
3. [California homeless population grew by 22,000 over pandemic \(2022\)](#)
4. [California accounts for 30% of nation's homeless, feds say \(2022\)](#)
5. [State of Crisis: Dismantling Student Homelessness in California \(2020\)](#)
6. [VCCCD Administrative Procedure Manual, AP 6750: Parking](#)
7. [LBCC Launches Pilot Program for Student Overnight Parking \(2021\)](#)

8. [VCCCD Administrative Procedure Manual, AP 5220: Shower Facilities for Homeless Students](#)
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Board Votes: 7-0-0; passed unanimously

Board Ayes:

Daniella Luczywek, ASMC Director of Academic Affairs

Abbey Austin-Wood, ASMC Director of Budget and Finance

Angela Batoon, ASMC Director of Public Relations


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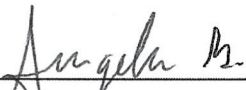

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Signatures of Ayes:



Sage Tollefson, ASMC Vice President

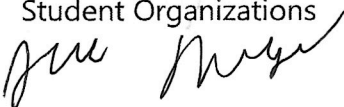

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