Resolution in Support of Proposition 30: the "Temporary Taxes to Fund Education - Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding" (often referred to as the "Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act.")

WHEREAS: investing in public higher education is vital to both the social and economic health of the state of California and the California State University, Fresno is a leader in public higher education, providing excellent educational opportunities to all it serves,

WHEREAS: the FresnoStateNews.com in its article "Welty outlines Fresno State's year of uncertainty, opportunity" reports on Proposition 30 that "If voters don't approve the measure, it would trigger a cut of \$13.2 million from Fresno State's current 2012-13 fiscal plan. The entire CSU system would lose \$250 million",

WHEREAS: these cuts would come on top of years of budget reductions to the CSU system already resulting in, among other things, increased economic burdens to students, fewer course offerings, less diversity in curriculum, and increased work-loads throughout the university system,

WHEREAS: the Board of Trustees has indicated student fees will increase 5% if proposition 30 fails as a result of the triggered \$250 million budget reduction,

WHEREAS: the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) in Resolution AS-3090-12/EX has supported proposition 30, 2012 and urges in its resolutions that campus senates endorse this proposition,

WHEREAS: the Associated Students, Inc. of California State University Fresno and the CSU Board of Trustees have all passed a resolution in support of Proposition 30,

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Academic Senate of California State University, Fresno supports Proposition 30 and be it further;

RESOLVED: that the Academic Senate of California State University, Fresno recognizes the preeminent importance of investing in the future of California through support of adequate and predictable funding for public education at every level;

RESOLVED: that the Academic Senate of California State University, Fresno encourage faculty to educate the campus and broader community about the cumulative impacts of successive budget cuts to the mission of the California State University system and the potential impacts of passage or failure of Proposition 30;

RESOLVED: that all academic senators inform their departments and programs of the passage of this resolution in a timely manner; and be it further

RESOLVED: that Academic Senate Chair see that this resolution is distributed to President Welty, the chair of the Associated Students, Inc. of California State University, Fresno, the president of the California State University, Fresno chapter of the California Faculty Association, and the Chairs of the Academic Senates throughout the California State University system.