



## **Resolution in Support of Renaming of Buildings, Roadways, Classrooms, and Removal of Iconography that Memorialize White Supremacy on our Campuses**

**WHEREAS**, the CSUs sit on California Native Lands, and at the ongoing expense of the national sovereignty of California Native peoples,

**WHEREAS**, CFA recognizes that California exists as a result of multiple eras of colonization, genocide, and dispossession of California Native peoples, we affirm our commitment to dismantling the logics of settler colonialism and acknowledge all of California as the traditional and unceded homelands of California's Native nations,

**WHEREAS**, CFA is a union committed to anti-colonialism, anti-racism and social justice, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, 2013, and 2021 CFA passed resolutions in support of comprehensive immigration reform and the Dream Act, siding with those who seek a more equitable, humane, and dignified policy for all immigrants,

**WHEREAS**, CFA's commitment to anti-colonial, racial and social justice acknowledges the campuses' regional needs and respects the diversity of all its students, faculty, and staff,

**WHEREAS**, there has been a national and international movement among campuses to rename buildings and monuments that memorialize white supremacy, eugenics, apartheid, xenophobia, Islamophobia, and all forms of racism and racial discrimination and/or individuals who hold/held a troubling legacy of supporting colonial and racist ideas (the following are universities that have changed their building names: California State University, Northridge, University of California, Berkeley, University of Southern California, Bowling Green State University, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Mississippi, Clemson University, Georgetown University, The Ohio State University, Princeton University, James Madison University, Stanford University, Western Washington University, California State University, Fullerton, University of Cape Town, University of Bristol, CSU Sacramento).

**WHEREAS**, anti-colonialism, racial and social justice work must also challenge the colonialist and racist naming of structures, classrooms, roadways, and symbols

on our campuses and specifically not honor individuals who advocate for or actively perpetuate settler colonialism, anti-immigration, and white supremacy, as is the case of CSUN Interim President Delmar T. Oviatt and former California State Senator William A. Craven,

**WHEREAS**, the effect and repercussion of inaction promotes settler colonialism, systemic institutionalized racism, anti-immigration, and oppression with its effects disproportionately transmitted to people vulnerable to settler colonialism, and be it further

**WHEREAS**, CFA continue to demonstrate support of undocumented students, students with mixed-status families, formerly incarcerated students, Brown, Black, Asian and Pacific Islanders, traditional Native nations of the Western Hemisphere, Arabs, Muslims, and Palestinians students, staff, and faculty with its legislative efforts, campaigns, membership and organizing that reflect its commitment to dismantling settler colonialism and achieving racial and social justice; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that CFA affirm its responsibility to identify and challenge settler colonialism, biases, inequity and racism in the history of the CSU, and in our current culture; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that as a faculty union we pledge to formally engage with student and staff organizations and the administration to identify concrete, actionable steps to dismantle settler colonialism, structural racism collectively; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that CFA demand the removal of racist symbols, and for the renaming of buildings, classrooms, laboratories, and roadways on our campuses, and in our surrounding communities as evidence of solidarity with the undocumented, mixed-status families, Brown, Black, Asian and Pacific Islanders, Native, Indigenous, Arabs, Muslims, and Palestinians Communities; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the CSU prioritize renaming these buildings, classrooms, laboratories, and roadways on our campuses with names that honor the California Native Nations on whose land they occupy; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, the CSU engage in meaningful consultation and consent with California Native nations, in adhering to California State Laws and the United Nations on the Declaration on Rights of Indigenous People, for the renaming of all these spaces and places; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that CFA actively collaborate with University Presidents to implement these changes to collectively dismantle settler colonialism, structural and institutionalized racism; and to decolonize our campuses; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that buildings, classrooms, laboratories, and roadways be renamed to recognize place-based epistemologies, diversity, educational equity, anti-colonialism, racial and social justice through a broad and inclusive campus process by honoring the California Native Nations whose land our campuses occupy.

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