



Associated Students, SJSU, Board of Directors' Resolution 22/23 - 04
RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY GARDEN 10 YEAR
ANNIVERSARY

Where as, It is the mission of Associated Students of San José State University to represent the students of San José State University and continually improve the quality of their educational opportunity and experience; and

Where as, Associated Students (A.S.) is the official voice of over 35,000 students at San José State University (SJSU); and

Where as, This resolution seeks to acknowledge the Campus Community Garden and its service to San José State University Students as they celebrate the 10 year anniversary since breaking ground; and

Where as, In 2012, the SJSU Campus Community Garden was established as a result of a student-led initiative, the Student Hunger Committee as an effort to meet the needs of food insecure students while SJSU is 1 of 289 neighbors in San Jose considered to be a food desert, low access to food; and

Where as, Since breaking ground, the Campus Community Garden has provided approximately 12,000 pounds of fresh produce for SJSU students and saved 40,000 pounds of food from going to waste through our compost system; and

Where as, While addressing food insecurity and food desserts was a primary goal of the Campus Community Garden, with the rich diversity of culture and activism in San José and San José State University, the Campus Community Garden has engaged and participated in social justice education and advocacy; and

Where as, The Campus Community Garden has hosted over 70 workshops and events focused on community building, cultural awareness and environmental justice; and

Where as, The Campus Community Garden is committed to cultivating the next generation of environmental justice advocates by implementing Next Generation: Garden Leadership Program in 2021; a 6 week program focused on environmental justice education and advocacy. Since then, 45 SJSU undergraduate and graduate students have completed the program; and

Where as, The Campus Community Garden recognizes the rich diversity of abilities at San José State University by converting to universal design; a framework and design space to





improve and optimize accessibility learning for all people regardless of their abilities; be it therefore

Resolved, Associated Students Inc. recognizes the Campus Community Garden for servicing the unique needs of the San José State University campus community for 10 years; and let it be further

Resolved, Associated Students Inc. recognizes the Campus Community Garden for supporting the needs of food insecure students at San José State University; and let it be further

Resolved, Associated Students Inc. acknowledges the Campus Community Garden for its commitment to cultivating civic engagement and activism by providing events and programs focused on environmental justice, cultural awareness and community building; and let it be further

Resolved, Associated Students of San José State University honors the service and lasting impact of the Campus Community Garden ; and let it be finally

Resolved, This Resolution will be presented to the staff of the Campus Community Garden at the 10 year recognition celebration on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Resolved, That Associated Students will make this document public and will forward this resolution to all affected parties, including, but not limited to:
all board members of the **CSU Board of Trustees, Jolene Koester** (*Interim Chancellor, CSU*), **Cynthia Teniente-Matson** (*President of San José State University*), *Members of the President's Cabinet, Lisa Millora* (*Vice President for Strategy and Chief of Staff*), **Patrick Day** (*Vice President for Student Affairs*), **Jahmal Williams** (*Director of Advocacy for Racial Justice*), **Patience Bryant** (*Interim Deputy Diversity Officer*), **Vincent Del Casino** (*Provost of San José State University*), **Charlie Faas** (*Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*), **SJSU A.S. Staff, Ben Falter** (*Senior Student Affairs Case Manager, SJSU Cares*), **Sofia Skavdahl** (*Basic Needs Coordinator - Spartan Food Pantry*), **Kristen Wonder** (*Waste and Sustainability Specialist*), **Katherine Cushing** (*Professor of Environmental Studies*), **Julia H. Jackson** (*University Writer and Copy Editor*) **Jennifer Malutta** (*Senior Director of Community and Government Relations*), **Edwin Tan** (*Director of Advocacy and Community Relations*) **William Armaline** (*Associate Professor, Sociology and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*) **Scott Myers Lipton** (*Professor, Sociology and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*), **Maribel Martinez** (*Lecturer, Department of Anthropology*), **Kathryn Blackmer Reyes**





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**Passed and Adopted by the Associated Students of San José State University
Board of Directors at a **regular** meeting held **April 26, 2023** by a vote of
10-Yea 00-Nay 00-Abstention 00-Absent**

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