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TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
SUBJECT: Resolution Against Hate Crimes at San Jose State University
PURPOSE: For acceptance by the Academic Senate

ACTION REQUESTED:

That the Academic Senate accept that the following resolution, which was approved by the Executive Committee, be distributed to the CSU Senate Chairs; Diana Guerin, Chair of the Statewide Senate; Michelle C. Xiong, CSUEB ASI President; Nicholas Ayala, SJSU AS President; Sarah Couch, CSSA President; and Tracy Butler, Statewide Senate Office Director, who is asked to forward the resolution to the Board of Trustees and CSU Presidents.

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate of California State University, East Bay condemn as vicious hate crimes the racially-based harassment, intimidation, and bullying of a freshman African American student in his dormitory suite at San Jose State University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate, on behalf of the entire CSUEB community, convey our support for this student; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate supports a swift, complete, and transparent investigation of these hate crimes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate reiterate its call to the entire CSU community to intensify our efforts to oppose violence and encourage tolerance and diversity at our universities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate call for a study into the state of African American students in the CSU, including on our own campus at CSUEB, so that problems can be identified and addressed; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded to the CSU Board of Trustees, CSU Presidents, the Academic Senate of the CSU, CSU campus senate chairs, the SJSU ASI President, and the California State Student Association.

BACKGROUND:

It has been widely reported that an African American freshman at San Jose State University was subjected to racially-based hate crimes in his dormitory suite for a period of approximately three months. The Executive Committee wrote and approved this resolution as a timely expression of the sentiment of our Senate. It is provided for Senate acceptance.