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ACR-129 University of California Student Association: 50th Anniversary. (2021-2022)

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 129

CHAPTER 23

Relative to the University of California Student Association.

[Filed with Secretary of State March 28, 2022.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 129, Medina. University of California Student Association: 50th Anniversary.

This measure would commemorate the 50th anniversary of the University of California Student Association as a contributor to the accessibility, affordability, and quality of postsecondary education, and as an influential voice of University of California students. The measure would recognize the continued need to protect and expand student representation by recognizing February 11, 2022, as "Student Representation Day."

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, Upon the occasion of its 50th anniversary, the University of California Student Association (UCSA) is deserving of special honor and commendations; and

WHEREAS, UCSA, along with the University of California Graduate and Professional Council, serves as the official student voice of University of California students, representing the viewpoints of over 285,000 students attending the University of California; and

WHEREAS, UCSA has strived for the betterment of postsecondary education throughout California, and believes that students, as both the recipients and products of postsecondary education, and as the future of California and our nation, have a right and obligation to share their unique perspectives with educational policymakers; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its existence, UCSA has provided the Legislature, the Regents of the University of California, the office of the President of the University of California, and the executive branch of state government with critical information and student opinions regarding issues that directly affect postsecondary education in California; and

WHEREAS, UCSA has been instrumental in making significant reforms in postsecondary education and has earned the well-deserved national reputation as one the most respected student associations in the nation; and

WHEREAS, The success of UCSA, in large part, has been due to the dedication and persistence of the Board of Directors of UCSA and UCSA's professional staff, as well as the countless University of California students who have volunteered their time to advocate and organize change at the local campus, state, and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, The Legislature shares the value of student input and recognizes the importance of student representation in public policy and decision-making around issues affecting students and their communities; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of UCSA's invaluable perspective in postsecondary education policy, the Legislature pledges its support for all efforts to protect and expand University of California students' voices in decisionmaking and public policy where needed and possible; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature commemorates the 50th anniversary of the University of California Student Association as a contributor to the accessibility, affordability, and quality of postsecondary education, and as an influential voice of University of California students; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature recognizes the continued need to protect and expand student representation by recognizing February 11, 2022, as "Student Representation Day;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.