



RESOLUTION NUMBER: **SRF-3-12**

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: **In Support of Tuition Equity**

SPONSORS OF RESOLUTION: **Justin Silva – Clubs & Organizations Senator; Oneta Cantlon – Gender Equality & Sexual Diversity Senator**

SECONDED BY: **Kendra Lawrence – Business & Social Sciences Senator**

DATE OF FIRST READING TO SENATE BODY: **11-27-2012**

DATE OF FINAL VOTE: **11-27-2012**

FINAL VOTE COUNT: **Yeas - 13** **Nays -1** **Abstain -0**

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: **None**

EMERGENCY STATUS: **Granted by the Speaker of the Senate on 11-25-2012**

WHEREAS the Associated Students of Southern Oregon University support Tuition Equity, an Oregon Legislative Bill that would grant any student who was raised in Oregon and graduated from an Oregon High School in-state tuition to any Oregon Public University

AND WHEREAS every year, many accomplished and talented high school students in and around the Rogue Valley are priced out of Higher Education

AND WHEREAS it is irresponsible not to continue the K-12 investment already made in these students

AND WHEREAS the State of Oregon moves towards a more seamless P-20 system, striving to reach Governor Kitzhaber's 40-40-20 goal, Tuition Equity would play a vital role in reaching this vision and these objectives

AND WHEREAS many other states have benefitted fiscally, by generating revenue, as well as strengthening and educating their communities through the passage of similar bills. These states include California, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Utah, New York, Texas, and Washington

AND WHEREAS Southern Oregon University's President Mary Cullinan and her administration support the passage of Tuition Equity

BE IT RESOLVED That the Associated Students of Southern Oregon University are fully committed to supporting and advocating for Tuition Equity during the 2013-2015 legislative session.