



## **RESOLUTION ON SAFETY AT THE INTERSECTION OF BULLDOG LAND AND CEDAR AVENUE**

**WHEREAS**, Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) is the recognized voice of students at California State University, Fresno; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the mission of ASI to foster participation in the governance of Fresno State, foster awareness of student opinions on campus issues, assist in the protection of student rights; and

**WHEREAS**, Traffic operations on and in the immediate vicinity of Fresno State directly impact student safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Lack of a left turn signal on the corner of Cedar Avenue turning onto Bulldog Lane frequently leads to traffic backups and accidents that would otherwise be avoidable; and

**WHEREAS**, Fresno City officials have repeatedly stated for the past three years that improving the traffic lights on this corner is an important priority and serious plans to change it have been made; and

**WHEREAS**, despite this, there has been no effort to date to install a left turn signal or improve the traffic light system in any way; and

**WHEREAS**, Accidents similar to the one on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014, where a motorcyclist lost his foot, sustained a broken right arm, broken ribs and a collapsed lung while turning on to Bulldog Lane have shown that there is a need for the city to install this left turn signal for the safety of students and drivers; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a significant amount of foot traffic from many pedestrians and students that cross Cedar to get onto Bulldog Lane including student-athletes, women living in sorority houses, men living in fraternity houses, and students living in neighboring student housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fresno State Academic Senate has shown support for this effort and acting as the voice for faculty identified the need for a left turn signal; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Fresno has secured the funds for this project and has determined to begin construction in the month of October during the middle of the Fall 2014 semester; and therefore let it be



**RESOLVED**, that ASI calls on the City of Fresno and the City Council to make the installment of a left turn signal a top priority for the city as part of the traffic light system on the intersection of Cedar Avenue and Bulldog Lane; and be it

**RESOLVED**, that ASI calls on the City of Fresno and the City Council to begin construction of this left turn signal as soon as possible and no later than July 1, 2014 to address this safety issue prior to the arrival of students on campus for the Fall 2014 semester; and be it

**RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be distributed widely, including, but not limited to, the Collegian, the Fresno Bee, Fresno State University President, the Fresno State Academic Senate.

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With a majority vote of the ASI Senate

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