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Title: Resolution Celebrating the Opening of the Oviatt Library Learning Commons

1. WHEREAS: The Associated Students, Inc. is the official voice of over 34,000 students of California State University, Northridge (CSUN); and

2. WHEREAS: The Associated Students, Inc. is the primary advocate for students at CSUN and provides excellent, meaningful programs and services designed to create and enhance a spirited, learning focused campus environment; and

3. WHEREAS: In accomplishing its mission, Associated Students, Inc. has the responsibility to reach out to students and inform them of the programs and services offered on the CSUN campus; and

4. WHEREAS: The Oviatt Library is creating a learning commons that will foster the development of the twenty-first century student and scholar; and

5. WHEREAS: The Learning Commons integrates the new skillsets of librarians with 21st century technologies; provides students with portable, flexible furniture; creates a light and open space; is food friendly; and facilitates a teaching and learning dynamic; and

6. WHEREAS: The Learning Commons offers ergonomically-designed individual seating as well as group study rooms and different group seating configurations to allow for collaborative work with computing options; and

7. WHEREAS: The Learning Commons will provide students with the ability to check out both laptops and tablets per students’ convenience; and
8. WHEREAS: For the 2013-2014 academic year, one component of the strategic plan is to “record students’ impressions of the new Learning Commons;” and therefore let it be

1. RESOLVED: That the Associated Students, Inc. will continue to uphold its mission by advocating for the use of the Learning Commons as a location that will enhance additional learning and collaboration; and let it be further

2. RESOLVED: That the Associated Students, Inc. fully expresses their support for the Learning Commons and extends its congratulations to the Oviatt Library administration, staff, and other University officials for its creation; and let it be further

3. RESOLVED: That members of the Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors and Executive Cabinet will celebrate the new Oviatt Library Learning Commons by attending the Fall 2013 Grand Opening; and

4. RESOLVED: That the Associated Students, Inc. shall place red roses at the base of the Matador Statue honoring the opening of the Learning Commons; and

5. RESOLVED: That the Associated Students, Inc. shall record students’ impressions of the new Learning Commons area throughout the year; and let it be finally

6. RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be distributed widely, including but not limited to the following:

   • Dr. Dianne Harrison, CSUN President
   • Dr. Harold Hellenbrand, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs
   • Dr. William Watkins, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
   • Colin Donahue, Vice President of Administration and Finance
   • Mark Stover, Oviatt Library Dean
   • Marianne Affi, Oviatt Library Associate Dean
   • Lynn Lampert, Chair of Reference and Instructional Services
   • Helen Heinrich, Chair of Technical Services
   • Jason Billick, Logistical Services Supervisor
   • Bill Fairchild, Capital Programs Manager of Facilities Planning
   • CSUN Today
   • The Daily Sundial

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