Title: Campus Trees to Honor AS Lifetime Award Recipients

1. WHEREAS The Associated Students, Inc. (AS) is the official voice of over 40,000 students of California State University, Northridge (CSUN); AND

2. WHEREAS AS 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 AS and CSUN are in constant search of ways to enhance the campus, guarantee its longevity, and promote the causes of its community; AND

4. WHEREAS CSUN has been identified as a part of Tree Campus USA by the Arbor Day Foundation and is moving toward more sustainable initiatives on campus; AND

5. WHEREAS The campus is home to a historic orange grove in which 65-year-old trees that are at the end of their life cycle and are in need of immediate replacement with younger orange-bearing trees that could provide shade, oxygen, and renewed beauty to the campus; AND

6. WHEREAS The Physical Plant Management (PPM) has identified an additional 40 trees around campus in need of replacement as well as 75 additional sites where trees could be planted, granting AS the potential to request the planting of up to 400 trees over the next 10 years; AND

7. WHEREAS AS has named approximately 236 people as recipients of its William R. Foster Lifetime Award and is likely to identify another 60 over the next 10 years so as to continue its development of meaningful relationships with its alumni/ae and its recognition of their contributions to AS and the university; AND

8. WHEREAS That AS values the commitment, legacy, and wisdom of its former student leaders who have left lasting contributions to the organization and CSUN community; THEREFORE, LET IT BE
1. RESOLVED That AS will purchase new trees to be planted by PPM on campus that are named in honor of William R. Foster Lifetime Awardees of the past, present, and future to provide them a living testament of their contributions to AS; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

2. RESOLVED That the first trees planted will be younger orange trees that will replace old growth in the Orange Grove and that all trees upon planting will be given a red ribbon to commemorate their honorary naming; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

3. RESOLVED That a “Legacy Tree Sculpture” listing the names of the current 236 Lifetime Awardees will be in a location to be determined in conjunction with PPM and will have the names of future Awardees added annually; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

4. RESOLVED That AS President’s Day will annually include a celebration of the tree-naming for honorees for each of the next 10 years in conjunction with The Tradition of the Rose Ceremony, starting with AS President’s Day 2016; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

5. RESOLVED That AS will immediately invest $9,000 from Capital Improvement in the Fall 2015 semester to initiate this project for the 2015-2016 fiscal year; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

6. RESOLVED That $11,000 will be allocated annually for 10 years starting in the 2016-2017 fiscal year from Capital Improvement and Replacement Reserves in support of the Campus Trees to Honor AS Lifetime Award Recipients project; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

7. RESOLVED That the AS Sustainability Committee request investment from the California State Student Association (CSSA) Greenovation Fund, as available, to supplement AS funds toward the future continuance of this project; AND LET IT BE FURTHER

8. RESOLVED That the AS Senate of 2025-2026 review this legislation to further the project as described and ensure future continuance, including allocation of appropriate funding and maintenance; AND LET IT BE FINALLY

9. RESOLVED That copies of this resolution be distributed widely, including but not limited to the following:
   · Dianne Harrison, President, CSUN
   · Yi Li, Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
   · William Watkins, Vice President of Student Affairs & Dean of Students
   · Jim Logsdon, Assistant Director, Grounds and Events
   · Adam Swenson, Faculty Senate, President
   · All William R. Foster Lifetime Award Recipients
   · The Daily News
   · CSUN Today

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