

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT
University Senate

Sense of the Senate Resolution on
Supporting International Students Impacted by Civil Unrest in Iran

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WHEREAS: In the past few weeks, thousands of people in Iran have been protesting the tragic death of a 22-year-old woman, Mahsa Amini, who died three days after being detained and brutally beaten by Iran's morality police for not following the dress code; and

WHEREAS: Many civilian protesters, activists, and journalists have been arrested, killed, or illegally transferred to unknown locations and the internet has been disrupted; and

WHEREAS: Almost all International students from Iran have long been away from their home country with no means to travel back (for reasons including prosecution in Iran and barriers to re-entering the US) and the internet has been their only way of communication with family and friends in Iran; and

WHEREAS: This situation has impacted international students from Iran's education and has caused fear, anxiety, and distress within and beyond the academic context; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Cal Poly Humboldt faculty, staff, and administration support international students from Iran by making themselves available to meet regarding their concerns, identify support mechanisms, and help them find resources to navigate the impact on their educational achievements; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Senate of the Cal Poly Humboldt encourages students to remain connected to one another and reach out to the faculty, staff, and administration during difficult times to utilize campus resources such as International Student and Scholar Advisors, Students Health and Wellbeing Services, Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the Office of the Dean of Students; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Senate of the Cal Poly Humboldt encourages faculty to enact and communicate their flexibility, understanding, and support for all impacted students; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be sent as a campus wide announcement so that the entire campus community can offer support during this time of unrest in Iran.