RESOLUTION ON DUPLICATE DEGREE TUITION (#08-92/93-EP)

- WHEREAS, The State Legislature has enacted legislation (SB 1972), a portion of which tries to recover education costs by charging duplicate degree tuition; and
- WHEREAS, An educated populace is crucial to the survival of our society; and
- WHEREAS, Restricting or penalizing persons who wish to expand their educational resources or who may be required to seek additional education and training is counterproductive to our society; and
- WHEREAS, The cost of duplicate degree tuition will be very expensive (\$150 per semester unit); and
- WHEREAS, The actual cost savings are minimal compared to the adverse impact it will have on the legitimate needs of HSU students; and
- WHEREAS, A broad group of students could be affected by the legislation because of its vague language (e.g., those maintaining professional licenses, those seeking second credentials, the Over-60 Program, and those seeking job retraining); and
- WHEREAS, The Academic Senate of Humboldt State University is categorically and unequivocally opposed to this legislation in principle and in practice; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that President McCrone, Chancellor Munitz, and the Board of Trustees urgently seek legislation to rescind that portion of SB 1972 which deals with duplicate degree tuition; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that should that portion of SB 1972 which deals with duplicate degree tuition not be rescinded, then that portion be interpreted in the most restrictive language possible so that it applies to the fewest number of students.