

**Resolution in Support of Proposition 30 on the November 2012 Ballot:
Temporary Taxes to Fund Education, Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding**

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate of California State University San Marcos support Proposition 30: Temporary Taxes to Fund Education, Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be sent to the Office of Communications at CSUSM with a request to post on *Campus Announcements* and to send out as a press release; in addition, this resolution will be sent to the President of CSUSM, Academic Senate of the California State University, Academic Senate Chairs at all California State University campuses, the Yes on Prop 30 campaign (YesonProp30.com), and to the No on Prop 30 campaign (StopProp30.com).

RATIONALE:

Over the past 12 years, reductions in funding have resulted in a 24% decrease in the amount the State spends on each student in the CSU.

Failure of Proposition 30 in the November election guarantees another \$250 million cut to the California State University system.

California is facing a dire economic crisis. A further \$250 million decrease to higher education will only make the situation worse for Californians. Fewer citizens will have access to the type of educational programs that prepare them for California's workforce needs. This will ultimately lead to a further shrinking of California's tax base and weaken the State's ability to compete in the global marketplace.

Investing in education is the best way to help the economy of California. For every dollar that the State invests in college students, it will receive \$4.50 from the taxes on the higher incomes earned by those students as well as from the savings accrued by the lower need for social services and lower rate of incarceration among college graduates (Campaign for College Opportunity, April 2012).

Investing in higher education *is* investing in California's economy and in its future success!