

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MĀNOA
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Senate Resolution 04-17

**IN SUPPORT OF FISCAL YEARS BIENNIUM 2017-2019 OPERATING BUDGET FOR
THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I SYSTEM REQUEST**

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (ASUH) Senate is the elected body representing approximately 11,000 full-time classified undergraduate students; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa is a statewide institution of higher education; and,

WHEREAS, its funding mainly consists those from the expense of the students and the tax-payers; and,

WHEREAS, Regent Policy 8.204, the University president, upon approval by the board, shall submit to the governor and the legislature, the university’s proposed biennial budget¹; and;

WHEREAS, On October 28, 2016 Vice President Kalbert K. Young presented *Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 Operating Budget Request for the University of Hawai‘i* proposal to the Committee on Budget & Finance, Board of Regents², and;

WHEREAS, *Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 Operating Budget Request for the University of Hawai‘i* brings both operating budget requests and non-budget fiscal legislation; and,

WHEREAS, The FYB 2017-2019 Budget requests a total of \$58,300,000 in addition to general funds for Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 and 47 positions; and,

WHEREAS, The FYB 2017-2019 Budget requests a total of \$28,700,000 in addition to general funds for Fiscal Year 2017-2018; and,

WHEREAS, The FYB 2017-2019 Budget requests a total of \$29,600,000 in addition to general funds for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; and,

¹ Regent Policy 8.204, III.D.3. The UH Board of Regents shall approve a proposed biennial budget as the designated “Board of Regents’ Budget.”

² *Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 Operating Budget Request for the University of Hawai‘i*
http://www.hawaii.edu/budget/sites/www.hawaii.edu.budget/files/FB17-19_OpBudget_Request.pdf

WHEREAS, The FYB 2017-2019 Budget is broken into four themes: Hawai‘i Graduation Initiative, Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative, 21st Century Facilities, and High Performance Mission Driven System; and,

WHEREAS, The Hawai‘i Graduation Initiative Theme is broken into four focuses: Driving Student Success, Academic Innovation, Hawai‘i Papa O Ke Ao, and Graduate Assistant Salary Support; and,

WHEREAS, The Hawai‘i Graduation Initiative Theme requests a total of \$27,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$12,700,000 for FY 2017-2018 and \$14,300,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Driving Student Success focuses upon strengthening, “student retention, recruitment, and career placement by providing additional peer mentors, student support specialists, and other staff resources”. This would be done by targeting programs such as, “advance freshman success, summer bridge programs, advising, mentoring, and applied and experiential learning in STEM fields” and the demographics of “Veterans, Filipino students...and Pacific Islanders”; and,

WHEREAS, The Driving Student Success requests a total of \$7,900,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$4,000,000 for FY 2017-2018 and \$3,900,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Academic Innovation focuses on supporting, “innovative programs and delivery methods that promote academic innovation and support as well as engage and inspire new students to enroll and succeed” to “improve UH performance on its metrics relating to overall student graduation outcomes and indirectly support aspects of the Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative”; and,

WHEREAS, Academic Innovation requests a total of \$6,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$2,500,000 for FY 2017-2018 and \$3,500,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i Papa O Ke Ao focuses on the improvement of “native Hawaiian student success by institutionalizing support for native Hawaiian student programs that have been started with federal funding and have proven successful. Funding in this area will support campus programs to increase retention and graduation rates of native Hawaiians”; and,

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i Papa O Ke Ao requests a total of \$6,850,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$3,350,000 for FY 2017-2018 and \$3,500,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Graduate Assistant Salary Support focuses on giving graduate assistant bargaining rights. Previously in 2015 the legislature approved a bill in regards to collective bargaining for graduate students, but it was not enacted; and,

WHEREAS, Graduate Assistant Salary Support requests a total of \$6,250,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$2,850,000 for FY 2017-2018, and \$3,400,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, The Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative Theme is broken into two focuses: Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative and UH Cancer Center; and,

WHEREAS, The Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative Theme requests a total of \$17,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$8,500,000 both FY 2017-2018 and FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative focuses on funding for “Hawai‘i Research and Innovation Initiative with the objective of increasing UH’s ability to successfully develop an innovation-based entrepreneurial ecosystem within the University, but also help to increase the potential for the creation of high-quality jobs within the State; and,

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative requests a total of \$7,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$3,500,000 for FY 2017-2018, and \$3,500,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, UH Cancer Center would support 4.0 positions to aid in development of clinical trials and securing research grant funding. This is in light of prior state funding that was diminished as the cigarette tax revenues to UH have has decreased; and,

WHEREAS, UH Cancer Center requests a total of \$10,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$5,000,000 for FY 2017-2018, and \$5,000,000 for FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, The 21st Century Facilities Theme focuses on Facilities Management; and,

WHEREAS, The 21st Century Facilities Theme requests a total of \$8,700,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$4,700,000 for FY2017-2018 and \$4,000,000 for FY2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Facilities Management focuses on operational support for facilities and space management to build on the University’s emphasis of modernizing out existing facility quality; and,

WHEREAS, The High Performance Mission Driven System Theme is broken into three focuses: Title IX, VAWA, and Compliance, High Performance Mission Initiative, and UH Hilo SBDC Positions; and,

WHEREAS, High Performance Mission Driven System Theme requests a total of \$5,600,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$2,800,000 for both FY 2017-2018 and FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, Title IX, VAWA, and Compliance focuses on the “continued delivery of ongoing funding support started through Act 208 and ensure compliance with state and federal mandates to support safe and secure campuses on all islands; and,

WHEREAS, Title IX, VAWA, and Compliance requests a total of \$3,700,000 for FYB 2017-2019 , \$1,850,000 for both FY 2017-2018 and FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, High Performance Mission Initiative would help to develop an integrated system wide data warehouse to support informed and analytical decision-making and transparency throughout the UH system across the key aspects of student, human resources, and finance; and,

WHEREAS, High Performance Mission Initiative requests a total of \$1,900,000 for FYB 2017-2019, \$950,000 for both FY 2017-2018 and FY 2018-2019; and,

WHEREAS, UH Hilo Small Business Development Center focuses on the conversion of ten (10) positions from the Research Corporation of the University of Hawai‘i; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai‘i system requests legislation to establish, “the Hawai‘i Promise program, Hawai‘i’s response to the national ‘free tuition’ movement”. This would be a pilot program to fund direct cost (tuition, fees, books, and transportation) of attending UH community colleges; and,

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2016 the Board of Regents will review the *Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 Operating Budget Request for the University of Hawai‘i*; and,

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2016, the 103rd ASUH Senate adopted Senate Resolution 09-16 *In Support of the Re-Establishment of an Ombuds Office at the Mānoa Campus*; and,

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2016, the 103rd ASUH Senate adopted Senate Resolution 14-16 *In Support of Incorporation Open Educational Resources into General Education Curricula*; and,

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2016, the 103rd ASUH Senate adopted Senate Resolution 21-16 *In Support of Increased Mental Health Services at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa*; and,

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2016, the 104th ASUH Senate adopted Senate Resolution 02-17 *In Support of Increased Funding for Mental Health Services at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa*; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the timely passage of the *Fiscal Years Biennium (FYB) 2017-2019 Operating Budget Request for the University of Hawai‘i* by the University of Hawai‘i Board of Regents; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$7,900,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for Driving Student Success, however, requests that such resources that are devoted to student support specialists include psychologists and case managers and the creation of an ombudsman office; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$6,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for Academic Innovation, however, recommends that programs pursue the usage of Open Educational Resources to assuage the impact of direct fees; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$6,850,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for Hawai‘i Papa O Ke Ao; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$6,250,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for Graduate Assistant Salary Support; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$17,000,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for the Hawai‘i Innovation Initiative theme; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$8,700,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for the System Facilities Management; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the ASUH supports the allocation of \$5,800,000 for FYB 2017-2019 for the High-Performance Mission Driven System (HPMS); and,

BE IT RESOLVED the ASUH supports the efforts and possible legislation of the Hawai‘i Promise program; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the ASUH request a detailed report outlining the allocation of specific funding amongst UH system campuses; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be sent to: Hawai‘i State Governor David Ige; Senator Jill Tokuda; UH President and UH Mānoa Interim Chancellor David Lassner; the UH Board of Regents Chairperson Jan Sullivan and Members; UH Mānoa Interim Vice Chancellor for Students Lori Ideta; UH Mānoa Interim Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students Mike Kaptik; Director of the UH Mānoa Counseling and Student Development Center Dr. Allyson Tanouye; the Honolulu Star Advertiser; UHM Graduate Student Organization, and the Ka Leo o Hawai‘i.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO SPECIAL ORDER SR 04-17

Aye(s): Vice-President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Chen, Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Ho, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Leval, Lo, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Tran, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada, Zabanal **[30]**

Naye(s): **[0]**

Abstain(s): **[0]**

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ACCEPT SR 04-17 WITH AMENDMENTS

Aye(s): Vice-President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Chen, Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Ho, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Leval, Lo, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Tran, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada, Zabanal **[30]**

Naye(s): **[0]**

Abstain(s): **[0]**

Introducer: David B. Enriquez, Chairperson, Committee on External Affairs, Senator-At-Large