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Resolution on Increasing Tuition for Undocumented Immigrants

Whereas CUNY's general counsel has decided CUNY must charge undocumented immigrants out-of-state tuition instead of in-state tuition in order to bring the university into compliance with a 1996 federal law; and

Whereas the general counsel's determination is open to question, since California and Texas have not decided to respond to the 1996 law in the same way (*NY Times*, Nov. 3); and

Whereas undocumented immigrants are generally very poor, are ineligible for TAP and federal aid, and already work long hours for low-wages to pay the in-state tuition; and

Whereas the university's historic mission is to provide opportunities to the poor and immigrant students; now therefore be it

Resolved, that PSC-CUNY calls on the Chancellor and the Board of Trustees to halt the implementation of the new tuition increase for undocumented immigrants and calls for a much fuller review and open discussion of the university's policy.

Adopted Unanimously
By the PSC Delegate Assembly
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