

THE SIXTY FIFTH STUDENT SENATE

Resolution 57

Sponsored by: Senators Wood and Forst

Whereas: The Obama Administration ordered the implementation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) memorandum through the Department of Homeland Security on June 15th, 2012,

Whereas: DACA mandates that the Department of Homeland Security, along with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), practice prosecutorial discretion when handling the cases of certain undocumented immigrants,

Whereas: Undocumented immigrants who qualify for DACA ought to meet requirements set forth by the Department of Homeland Security in order to have their case deferred,

Whereas: Some DACA beneficiaries are currently enrolled and attending The Florida State University,

Whereas: The Florida State University and the FSU Student Government Association have lent their support to several pieces of legislation in the past to provide relief for undocumented students,

Whereas: Notable undocumented students have graduated from The Florida State University,

Whereas: Florida International University has implemented a program giving in-state tuition and has had no legal repercussions,

Whereas: The Guidelines on Florida Residency for Tuition Purposes, last updated on October 24th, 2012, state that "In-state tuition at Florida's public colleges and universities is available to immigrants with deferred action who can establish Florida residency," and FSU does not currently have a program in place that is in line with this update,

Be it resolved by the 65th Student Senate at The Florida State University that: The Florida State University shall adopt a tuition waiver that would allow deferred action beneficiaries to benefit from in-state tuition rates.

Be it further resolved that: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to:

Rosalia Contreras

Dr. Eric Barron

Provost Stokes

Mr. John Barnhill