

1 [Supporting the weeklong student fast advocating for immigration reform.]

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3 **Resolution supporting the weeklong student fast advocating for immigration reform**
4 **that includes the DREAM Act.**

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6 WHEREAS, From July 2 to July 9, 2007, UC Berkeley's Rising Immigrant Scholars
7 through Education (R.I.S.E.) joined with college students from around the Bay Area to
8 participate in a weeklong fast in the Civic Center Plaza; and,

9 WHEREAS, The goal of the fast was to urge Congress to pass an immigration reform
10 bill that includes the bipartisan federal Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors
11 (DREAM) Act; and,

12 WHEREAS, The San Francisco fast was part of a statewide effort that encompassed
13 events at over 26 campuses across the state to support immigration reform that provides a
14 path towards citizenship for undocumented youth; and,

15 WHEREAS, The campaign included a weeklong caravan that began on July 2 in
16 Orange County and featured daily stops at Representative's Offices en route before reaching
17 San Francisco on July 5; and,

18 WHEREAS, These student leaders abstained from eating and consumed only certain
19 liquids for the duration of the eight day fast; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports the efforts of R.I.S.E. and student
21 leaders across the state to advocate on behalf of immigration reform and the DREAM Act;
22 and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the students and
24 organizations involved for their dedication to improving the lives of the immigrant community
25 in America.