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SRFS26-001: SEATS (Student Education through Assigned Travel Seats) Resolution

RESOLUTION voicing student support for the San Diego Community College District to recognize and classify airline seat selections for college-sponsored travel as valid, reasonable, and necessary travel expenses rather than seat upgrades prohibited under District guidelines.

WHEREAS students and faculty often use airline travel to facilitate student participation and competition in college-sponsored events,

WHEREAS seat selections should not be considered seat upgrades because the quality and amenities present in selected seats are unchanged,

WHEREAS the Associated Student Government, as the elected student body of San Diego Mesa College, is tasked with voicing concerns on behalf and advocating for the best interest of Mesa students,

WHEREAS through the ability to pay for seat selection in college-sponsored travel, students derive—

1) significant educational value through instruction by faculty;
2) greater personal security through supervision; and
3) meaningful improvement to student comfort;

by being able to ensure team cohesion and seat adjacency during college-sponsored travel,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Associated Student Government of San Diego Mesa Community College requests, on behalf of all students of San Diego Mesa College, that the San Diego Community College District and relevant governing bodies therein—

1) recognize seat selections as valid, reasonable, and necessary travel expenses rather than seat upgrades; and

2) enact necessary changes in policy to facilitate the use of District funds to pay or reimburse charges incurred for reasonable airline seat selections during college-sponsored travel and/or events.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Associated Student Government concurs with the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate's resolution regarding airline seat selection for college-sponsored travel as being in line with the best interests of the students of San Diego Mesa College as well as the wider San Diego Community College District.

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Co-Sponsors:
Prepared Date: 10/28/2026
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Seconded By:
Quorum Present? Yes / No
Amendments/Comments/Committees/Appointments:

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Amended By _____
Tabled By _____
#In Favor _____ **#Opposed** _____ **#Abstained** _____

Bill Passed? Yes / No

President's Signature _____