

Proposition: 06-24/25

Proposal Type: Bill, Resolution, XX Memorial Joint Proposition Other

Title: A Memorial affirming the diverse campus community that NMSU is and in support of students, faculty, and staff at-risk of Harassment, Discrimination, and Deportation

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Proposed Committee: We ask that this bill be moved as emergency legislation.

Assigned Committee: We ask that this bill be moved as emergency legislation.

Prior Approvals: None, N/A

Proposal:

Whereas NMSU prides itself as a diverse community of students, faculty and staff grounded in dignity and respect for all individuals;

Whereas NMSU is very proud of our heritage as a land grant and Hispanic Serving and Minority Serving institution, firmly committed to the ideals of acceptance, inclusion, and empowerment of all individuals, regardless of ethnic background, sexual orientation or gender identity, political and religious beliefs, or immigration status;

Whereas the Faculty at NMSU are foundational to creating academic environments where students can grow, learn and thrive, in a safe free from threats and harassment;

Whereas students are at NMSU to study, gain knowledge, do research, and progress towards degrees, and a safe and harassment free environment is key to supporting student success; and

Whereas potential policy proposals at a national level threaten these safe learning environments, specifically for DREAMers, undocumented students, international students and international faculty;

Let it be resolved that the Faculty Senate supports a safe learning environment for all NMSU students, supports a safe working environment for our diverse faculty, and stands with those students and faculty who are experiencing threats of discrimination or deportation, against any interference with their ongoing education or livelihood. We also support efforts to ensure respectful, thoughtful, dialogue across all aspects of our academic community.