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The Honorable Kevin de León, Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
State Capitol, Room
Sacramento, Ca 95814

Re: AB 2099 (Frazier), as amended on July 2, 2014
Scheduled for hearing by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 4, 2014
Position: SUPPORT

Dear Senator de León:

On behalf of the University of California, I am writing to convey our support for AB 2099 (Frazier). By requiring the California State Approving Agency for Veterans Education to certify that the institution maintains a three-year cohort default rate of less than 15.5% and a graduation rate of greater than 30%, AB 2099 provides additional protection to veterans from unscrupulous institutions that may leave their students with high debt and without a meaningful degree.

We believe this legislation sets reasonable conditions of eligibility for institutions of higher education with respect to federal Title 38 student financial aid for veterans. AB 2099 takes an important step towards ensuring that men and women who pursue higher education in California, using benefits they have earned due to their service to our nation, will be treated with integrity. Should you have any questions concerning the University's position on this bill, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 445-9924.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nadia Leal-Carrillo".

Nadia Leal-Carrillo
Legislative Director

cc: Assembly Member Frazier
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