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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 2455 (Chiu) – REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Brown:

The University of California (UC) requests your signature on AB 2455, which would encourage UC to coordinate with the Secretary of State to develop and implement a process and the infrastructure by July 1, 2018 to allow a person who enrolls online at a UC campus to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State.

UC has consistently been supportive of efforts to increase access to student voter registration and student participation in the political process. UC has partnered with the Secretary of State on student voter registration in the past, including on the implementation of SB 854 in 2007. Recently, UC President Janet Napolitano has expressed interest in implementing an automated process which would pre-populate student information into the voter registration form, and UC is currently working with the Secretary of State to explore this practice.

In past years, UC has requested that campuses cooperate with their student governments to engage in nonpartisan student voter registration activities at residence halls and dining commons, and we recently sent a similar request to the Student Affairs Vice Chancellors. In addition, UC campuses have integrated the Secretary of State's new online voter registration link into their class registration processes and into the campus links used during election season.

UC recognizes AB 2455 as being consistent with current UC practices to support increased access to student voter registration, and we thank you for your leadership in introducing this beneficial policy.

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Thank you for your consideration of the University of California's views. If you have any questions about our support position on AB 2455, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 445-9924.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nadia Leal-Carrillo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nadia" being the most prominent.

Nadia Leal-Carrillo
Legislative Director

cc: Assembly Member David Chiu
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