

RESOLUTION

Affirming Support of University of Hawai‘i’s Commitments to Undocumented and All Students

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2013, the Board of Regents unanimously adopted a policy allowing undocumented immigrants, who came to the U.S. as minors, graduated from a U.S. high school or attained the equivalent thereof, and have initiated the process to be a U.S. citizen or obtain legal immigration status, to pay resident tuition; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents’ policy acknowledges the importance of the educational opportunity to undocumented immigrants who came to Hawai‘i as minors and consider Hawai‘i to be their home, and that such a policy aligns with the Board of Regents’ philosophy of providing affordable higher education services to its resident population; and

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2016, President Lassner issued a statement on behalf of the University of Hawai‘i reaffirming the university’s steadfast commitment to serve all members of our community, regardless of citizenship status; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents desires to join with President Lassner and reaffirm the university’s commitment to serve all members of our community regardless of citizenship status; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents stands alongside President Lassner in reaffirming resident tuition eligibility to undocumented immigrant students, and the commitments to preserve and protect all rights, privileges, support, and services available to all students and members of the university community.

Adopted by the Board of Regents
University of Hawai‘i
January 26, 2017