



**Associated Students of Fullerton College**

**Resolution: 10/11/2019**

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**Vote: Unanimous with one Abstention**

**Abstract: Resolution in support of discontinuing the use of the herbicide Roundup on trees and other plant life around campus.**

**Whereas**, Fullerton Colleges trees and other greenery are a cornerstone of the appeal of the college; and

**Whereas**, students all over campus use trees specifically those on the quad for resting, studying, etc.; and

**Whereas**, students and employees are directly exposed to the negative chemical present in Roundup such as Glyphosate consistently; and

**Whereas**, California has listed Glyphosate on Proposition 65 list of chemicals known to cause cancer(5); and

**Whereas**, the use of Roundup is directly linked to causing cancer and other harmful side effects; and

**Whereas**, Roundup has paid millions of dollars in compensatory damages to cancer patients who used Roundup and monsanto the maker of Roundup in a recent case was ordered to pay two billion dollars in damages to cancer patients who had used Roundup(2); and

**Whereas**, the use of Roundup destroys the quality of soil directly impacting the lifespan of greenery all across campus(4); and

**Whereas**, the University of California campuses have already halted the use of glyphosate on all ten of its campuses, which serve over 200,000 students(1); and



**Whereas**, Fullerton College's core values include responsibility for the betterment of the world around us(6); and

**Whereas**, it is the responsibility of the college administration to prioritize student health and wellness; and

**Whereas**, there are several natural and more environmentally friendly alternatives that can be used to avoid the harmful side effects(3),

**Therefore it be resolved that** Fullerton College should immediately stop the use of the herbicide Roundup across campus; and

**Be it further resolved that** a more natural and environmentally friendly alternative such as an organic herbicide be used instead,

**Be it finally resolved that** copies of this resolution be sent to the Facilities Office, the Office of the Dean of Support Services, the Office of the Vice President of Student Services, the Office of the Vice President of Administrative Services, the Office of the Vice President of Instruction, the Office of the President, Faculty Senate, Classified Senate, Planning and Budget Steering Committee, the President's Advisory Council, and the NOCCCD Board of trustees.

#### **Reference**

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