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SS-F13-3, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Commemorating the 10th Anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library

Legislative History: At its meeting of October 21, 2013, the Academic Senate approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by the University Library Board.

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, the result of a unique partnership between San José State University and the City of San José, opened on August 1st of 2003, and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library directly supports the San José State University mission "to enrich the lives of its students, to transmit knowledge to its students along with the necessary skills for applying it in the service of our society, and to expand the base of knowledge through research and scholarship;" and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library provides all library users with access to information and learning resources in both digital and print formats and fosters lifelong learning opportunities for the entire community, and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library strives to support student learning with innovative uses of information technology, and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library has become not only a model of town-gown collaboration worldwide but also a downtown landmark, and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library is a model digital library, exponentially increasing its digital presence and access to library resources 24/7, freeing space for student-centered learning, and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library houses and makes available to all users its unique resources in the SJSU Special Collections and Archives, the

Beethoven Center, the Steinbeck Center, the Sourisseau Academy and the California Room, and

WHEREAS, the Library's institutional repository, SJSU ScholarWorks, promotes discovery, research, cross-disciplinary collaboration and instruction by collecting, preserving and providing access to scholarly work created at SJSU, and

WHEREAS, over 25 million people have visited Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library since its opening in 2003, and

WHEREAS, almost 2 million reference questions have been answered since its opening in 2003; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate commemorate the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library's 10 years of valuable support to the SJSU and San José communities and

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate recognize the role of the library on campus and in the community and the leadership of former and current faculty, staff, senators, and administrators that created the nation's largest successful joint public and academic library.