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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

CONSOLIDATED STUDENTS UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS *55th Executive Session*

EXECUTIVE RESOLUTION 55-01

AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE THE PROPOSED FEE ASSESSED ON TUITION AND FEE PAYMENTS MADE BY CREDIT CARD

Resolution Number: ER 55-01

Authors of Legislation: Kelechi Odunze, Student Body President

Sponsor of Legislation: Executive Board

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (CSUN) represents all 25,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, under the authority of CSUN Constitution VI.D.01, is “empowered to enact any legislation that falls under the jurisdiction of CSUN”; **AND**

WHEREAS, The CSUN Executive Board under the authority of CSUN Bylaw 104.02 is empowered to write “Approval or disapproval of actions and changes affecting students”; **AND**

WHEREAS, CSUN must actively advocate and represent the needs of all undergraduate students; **AND**

WHEREAS, The NSHE Chief Financial Officer has proposed, and the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) Board of Regents are considering to implement a fee assessed on tuition and fee payments made by credit card at 2.95%; **AND**

WHEREAS, Students at UNLV and other NSHE Institutions utilize credit and debit cards to pay for their education; **AND**

WHEREAS, the proposed fee would disproportionately impact students from lower-income households who may not have alternative payment methods available; **AND**

WHEREAS, NSHE institutions’ Offices of the Registrar do not currently have the staffing, infrastructure, or capacity to support the significant influx of students who would otherwise resort to cash or check payments if this fee were implemented, thereby further forcing students to shoulder an additional unnecessary burden; **AND**

WHEREAS, implementing this fee would require NSHE institutions to invest in additional staffing,

infrastructure, and payment-processing capacity to accommodate students avoiding credit and debit card payments, thereby creating unnecessary costs that could outweigh the projected revenue from the fee; **AND**

WHEREAS, The adoption of a practice by similar institutions across the country does not mean it is the best practice for the students of NSHE, who have unique, distinct, and varied needs; **AND**

WHEREAS, increasing the cost of paying tuition via credit or debit card contradicts NSHE and UNLV's commitment to accessibility and affordability in higher education; **AND**

WHEREAS, UNLV is distinct among NSHE institutions in its current financial position, having reported an \$80 million student fee balance rollover in FY25 and is actively seeking ways to spend it down, making the imposition of an additional credit card payment fee unnecessary and unjustifiable;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, formally disapproves of the proposed 2.95% fee on tuition and fee payments made by credit card; **AND**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CSUN urges the NSHE Board of Regents to reject any proposal that imposes such a fee on any forms of payment for students; **AND**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if NSHE proceeds with the implementation of this fee, students shall be properly notified in advance, and alternative forms of payment shall be made accessible at no cost to students and without use of student fee accounts, including but not limited to on-campus ATMs and the facilitation of direct deposit; **AND**

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be posted to CSUN social media platforms, sent to all 25,000+ undergraduates via the Student Body President email, posted in three public areas on the UNLV Campus, transmitted to the UNLV President, The UNLV Vice President for Student Affairs, the UNLV Chief Financial Officer, the NSHE Chancellor, the NSHE Chief Financial Officer, all members of the NSHE Board of Regents, and read as public comment at the September Board of Regents meeting.

ER 55-01, ADOPTED by the Senate on this 14th Day of August, 2025

Sharon Flores, Senate President

Liana Wieand, Senate Secretary

ER 55-01, APPROVED on this 14th Day of August, 2025 by

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