Resolution Number: RF03-215
September, 2003

Resolution Supporting Voter Registration Campaign

September 8th to the 22nd, 2003, at San Francisco State University

WHEREAS Among the many forms of
government with which human beings
have experimented, democracy remains the best of the
alternatives, and

WHEREAS The heart and strength of an open society result from the
widespread participation in civic matters of those eligible
to participate, and

WHEREAS A fundamental form of that participation is voting in
national, state, and local elections, and

WHEREAS The California Faculty Association and the Associated Students, Inc. will be
conducting its 6th non-partisan voter registration campaign at SFSU
from September 8th through 22nd, 2003, and

WHEREAS President Robert A. Corrigan and
Provost John Gemello have
consistently encouraged faculty to participate in this
non-partisan
civic activity, and

WHEREAS By participating in voter registration, faculty can model the commitment to the society beyond the University that we encourage in community service learning courses, and

WHEREAS Many thousands of SFSU students, faculty, and staff have registered or re-registered during such campaigns in prior years; therefore be it

RESOLVED That the SFSU Academic Senate strongly endorse the non-partisan voter registration campaign of fall 2003, and be it further

RESOLVED That the SFSU Academic Senate publicize the dates, times, and places of the voter registration campaign, and urge all faculty to do the same in their classes, and be it further

RESOLVED That the SFSU Academic Senate invite all faculty members to participate in staffing voter-registration tables during the voter registration campaign and be it further

RESOLVED That the SFSU Academic Senate urge teaching faculty to open their classrooms to voter registration activities in our joint efforts to enable all
eligible members of the SFSU community to exercise their right to vote.

***APPROVED by the Academic Senate at its meeting on September 9th, 2003***