

**Resolution Number:** RS91-088  
January, 1991

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
  
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS TASK FORCE TEACH-IN  
  
ON THE WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST

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At its meeting of February 12, 1991, the Academic Senate approved the following resolution in Support of the Associated Students Task Force Teach-In on the War in the Middle East:

- WHEREAS President Bush has committed the nation to a war in the Middle East; and
- WHEREAS There have already been large numbers of civilian casualties; and
- WHEREAS The ground war will most certainly produce higher casualties on both sides; and
- WHEREAS A disproportionate number of our front line troops are people of color; and
- WHEREAS The majority of the troops come from lower economic background; and
- WHEREAS The armed forces' policies toward gays and lesbians constitute a case of discrimination; and
- WHEREAS Resources that are badly needed for domestic programs are being wasted at a rate of \$1.4 billion a day; and
- WHEREAS The education budget is suffering both on the state and federal levels; and
- WHEREAS It has been academic tradition to support a just and peaceful resolution to all conflicts; and
- WHEREAS Education about the Middle East and the current crisis is prerequisite to the offering of a comprehensive settlement; and
- WHEREAS The university provides an arena for a free exchange of ideas; and
- WHEREAS Students, faculty, staff and administrators' efforts can have a profound impact on the outcome of this crisis; and

WHEREAS The Associated Students, Inc. is organizing students in an effort to stop the war; and

WHEREAS The Associated Students, Inc. has taken an anti-war, and an anti-U.S. intervention stand long before the initiation of hostilities; and

WHEREAS The Associated Students, Inc. is organizing a campus-wide teach-in on February 13 and February 14, 1991

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. video broadcast to all classes

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Rally in the center of the campus

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Panel discussions organized by various departments;

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RESOLVED That the San Francisco State University Academic Senate supports the efforts of the Associated Students in their attempt to protest this war; and be it further

RESOLVED That the S.F.S.U. Academic Senate encourages professors' participation in the events taking place on February 13 and February 14, 1991; and be it further

RESOLVED That the S.F.S.U. Academic Senate calls on department chairs and professors to allow the students to leave their classes to attend the day-long events.

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