A Resolution to Stand with Asian Students and Provide Information on Counseling Services

WHEREAS the Undergraduate Student Government Tempe was formed to provide a forum for inter-university dialogue, to organize student involvement, and to advocate for and administer services, resources, and programs that benefit the students of Arizona State University;
WHEREAS on January 26th, 2020, the Maricopa County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) has identified and confirmed one case of 2019-nCov infection in the ASU community, which is currently isolated,

WHEREAS none of the community member’s identifying information, specifically their ethnicity, has been released to the public,

WHEREAS members of the Asian community at Arizona State University have purposefully been avoided and shamed because of the 2019-nCov’s association with China,

NOTING that Arizona State University emphasizes inclusion and diversity,

FURTHER NOTING that on January 30th, 2020, the Asian/Asian Pacific American Students’ Coalition (AAPASC) released a similar statement condemning xenophobia and racism on campus, and stating that “many Asian people around ASU are now experiencing heightened stress, avoidance, exclusion and other antisocial behavior directed towards them”.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Undergraduate Student Government of Tempe stands with the Asian community and especially supports those whose family and friends are in China,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Undergraduate Student Government of Tempe does not stand for xenophobia but hopes that students will seek out counseling for any undue stress, and will post information about counseling services to USG-T’s Facebook and Instagram accounts by Friday, February 7th, 2020,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Undergraduate Student Government of Tempe will post a statement on the USG-T Facebook and Instagram account condemning racism and xenophobia related to the 2019-nCov infection, along with links to Senate Resolution 15 and the similar statement passed by AAPASC by Friday, February 7th, 2020.

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¹ See supporting pdf version of email: “A message on the Novel Coronavirus - Arizona State University Mail”
BE IT EVEN FURTHER RESOLVED that President Hanna Salem sends this document to the Dean of Students within a week of the Resolution being passed.