ASUCI JUDICIAL BOARD

"All Judicial authority of ASUCI shall be vested in the Judicial Board. The Judicial Board's authority shall extend to all judicial cases arising under the [ASUCI] Constitution; the various by-laws of ASUCI; all official actions of the Executive Officers, Legislative Council Members, and ASUCI Commissioners; and any matters delegated to the Judicial Board by the Legislative Council"

JUDICIAL RULING ON R52-35: "Resolution for a formation of Special Committee for the Disability Resource Center"

Justice Shantharaj writing of the majority, in which, Chief Justice Lee, Justice Fuoroli, Justice, Anderson, and Justice Khosravi join.

Upon reviewing ASUCI legislation during its meeting on Wednesday, December 7th, 2016, the ASUCI Judicial Board has found fault with Resolution 52-35 "Resolution for a formation of Special Committee for the Disability Resource Center"

Primarily, Resolution 52-35 resolves that the rules "*stated under ASUCI Bylaws, Article XIV, Section A, the progress of the Disability Resource Center Special Committee will be reviewed at the end of the Winter Quarter 2017 to discuss its annual renewal",* whereas the cited Article XIV, Section A in the ASUCI By-Laws refer to *"INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, RECALL, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS",* all of which are wholly unrelated to the purpose and topic of this legislation.

Secondly, but very importantly, Resolution 52-34 is riddled, and thereby crippled, by an array of confusing grammatical and formatting errors and inconsistencies. There is no need for statements to be split into multiple lines and the grammatical errors in the document lead to a potential misunderstanding of the resolution

As legislation put through by the ASUCI Senate constitute the core of the measures passed by ASUCI, special attention must be paid to ensure that all such measures are clearly written, are consistent and make accurate statements and references. It is the duty of every voting senator to carefully review any document being voted upon and ascertain that these minimum requirements are being met for any measure being voted upon. Doing so allows for clear and specific interpretation of any written legislation, preventing inconsistencies, contradictions and, in this case, the need for the Judicial Board's intervention in barring a resolution that made errors in content, writing and format.

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Utilizing the powers vested in the Judicial Board by the ASUCI governing documents, we hereby declare that R52-35 is unconstitutional and its implementation is barred.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Annette Lee, Chief Justice

Kooshan Khosravi, Associate Justice

Suchith Shantharaj, Vice Chief Justice

Michael Fuoroli, Associate Justice

Laura Anderson, Associate Justice