

1 ACADEMIC SENATE
2 Resolution 23/24-02

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4 Censure of President and Provost &
5 Creation of Task Force
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7 WHEREAS academic freedom, open discourse, and the right of all to
8 express their views are central values of the University;
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10 WHEREAS the faculty play a vital role in University governance, especially
11 on matters related to academic freedom, open discourse, and free
12 expression;
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14 WHEREAS campus events over the last several months related to the
15 conflict in the Middle East have attracted considerable attention,
16 including the ban of a professor from campus; cancellation of a
17 valedictorian's address; cancellation of Commencement activities;
18 campus protests; and removal of protesters from campus;
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20 WHEREAS there is widespread dissatisfaction and concern among the
21 faculty about administrative decisions and communication related to
22 these events;
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24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Senate censures President Folt and
25 Provost Guzman for the actions and decisions made related to the events
26 described above;
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Academic Senate endorses the
29 immediate creation of a task force to investigate these events and the
30 associated administrative decisions and communication, and to provide a
31 public report of its findings by September 15, 2024; and calls on the
32 President of the University to cooperate fully with the task force's
33 investigation.
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