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JANET NAPOLITANO, PRESIDENT  
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RE:  The College Student Right to Access Act (SB 24)

Dear Janet,

At its June 26 meeting, the Academic Council unanimously endorsed the attached UCFW letter urging the University to support the goals of California Senate Bill 24 – “The College Student Right to Access Act” – which ensures access to medical abortion on California public university campuses.

At a time when reproductive rights are under threat in the United States, California can and must be a leader on access to reproductive healthcare.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Robert C. May, Chair  
Academic Council

Encl:

cc:  Provost Brown  
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     Senate Directors
ROBERT MAY, CHAIR
ACADEMIC COUNCIL

RE: SB 24 – “The College Student Right to Access Act”

Dear Robert,

The University Committee on Faculty Welfare (UCFW) has discussed SB 24, “The College Student Right to Access Act,” which would require UC and CSU to provide medical abortions on each campus. Without commenting on the specifics of this particular bill, UCFW unequivocally supports access to medical abortion at all UC campuses as a step to support student welfare and finds it in keeping with the values of the university to offer medically necessary services to its students. While concerned about the larger trend of the state government chipping away at the foundations of UC’s constitutional autonomy, in this case we strongly support the underlying principle and urge the UC to act with or without state pressure.

Sincerely,

Sean Malloy, UCFW Chair

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Hilary Baxter, Executive Director, Academic Senate