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##th SESSION
2014-2015

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WATER CONSERVATION ACT

IN THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

OCTOBER 17, 2014

SUBMITTED BY PRESIDENT DOMINGUEZ TO THE SENATE

A RESOLUTION

WATER CONSERVATION ACT

- 1 *Whereas, the role of a community college is to serve the students and the community;*
- 2 *Whereas, Bakersfield and Kern County's biggest industries are agriculture and oil & natural*
- 3 *gas, the Student Government Association should take special interest in the status of*
- 4 *these industries;*
- 5 *Whereas, of Friday, January 17th, 2014, California State Governor Jerry Brown, declares a*
- 6 *drought emergency and asks the people of California to cut back their water usage by at*
- 7 *least twenty percent.*
- 8 *Whereas, according the Kern County Farm Bureau, this year's federal water deliveries were*
- 9 *cut from twelve percent to zero percent and state water deliverers were cut from twenty-*
- 10 *one percent to five percent.*
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1 *Whereas, our sister college of Porterville has opened their showering facilities for their*
2 *residents due to the fact that the east side of their community has run dry of water.*

3 *Whereas, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor Bakersfield and nearby Kern communities*
4 *are the worst in drought conditions in the nation;*

5 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the Student Government Association,*

6 *a) We will work with college administration to make sure that our college campus is*
7 *cutting back at least twenty percent of water usage if not more and that we will*
8 *advocate for both long term and short term water conservation methods;*

9 *Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Student Government Association,*

10 *a) We will work with our students and our community to properly educate them on the*
11 *issues at hand and provide transparency on how our college campus is cutting back*
12 *and the status of any projects on campus pertaining to water conservation.*