



*Senate Resolution*

**Resolution No: SR19-01**

**Resolution Title: Recognition of Melissa Saul for Exceptional Service**

**In the Senate September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**For Special Order**

**Authored & Introduced by: Caucus Delegate Christielove Espinosa**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu (ASUHW O) Senate is the elected body representing approximately 3,000 classified undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, stated in the constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Hawaii – West O'ahu “The purpose of this organization shall be to provide democratic representation for the students of the University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu and to promote student participation in educational, cultural, social and community activities; and

WHEREAS, 901 students identify as Native Hawaiian or Part Native Hawaiian which makes up the largest demographic at The University of Hawai'i –West O'ahu; and<sup>1</sup>

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 4 of the Hawai'i State Constitution states, “the State shall promote the study of Hawaiian culture, history and language;” and<sup>2</sup>

WHEREAS, UH System Mission statement states “The common purpose of the University of Hawaii system of institutions is to serve the public by creating, preserving, and transmitting knowledge in a multi-cultural environment. The University is positioned to take advantage of Hawaii's unique location, physical and biological environment, and rich cultural setting. At all levels in the academy, students and teachers engage in the mastery and discovery of knowledge to advance the values and goals of a democratic society and ensure the survival of present and future generations with improvement in the quality of life;” and<sup>3</sup>

WHEREAS, UH System purpose statement states “Provide a variety of entry points into a comprehensive set of postsecondary educational offerings, allowing flexibility for students to move within the system to meet individual educational and professional goals. Advance missions that promote distinctive pathways to excellence, differentially emphasizing instruction, research, and service while fostering a cohesive response to state needs and participation in the global community;” and<sup>4</sup>

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai'i –West O'ahu mission statement states “We develop life-long learners enriched and informed by career competencies and educational opportunities that

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address state, regional, and international needs. As a diverse and inclusive indigenous-serving institution, UH West O‘ahu embraces Native Hawaiian culture and traditions while simultaneously providing an environment where students of all ethnic backgrounds are valued, respected, and supported. Our campus fosters excellence in teaching and learning and serves the community of Hawai‘i by providing an accessible and affordable college experience;” and<sup>5</sup>

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai‘i –West O‘ahu vision statement states “UH West O‘ahu envisions a supportive and dynamic learning environment where all students, faculty, and staff embody Native Hawaiian values and perpetuate Native Hawaiian culture and in which the inclusion of all individuals is reflected in the institution’s culture, practices, and relationships;” and<sup>6</sup>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i-West O‘ahu recognizes the work of Dr. Melissa Saul is in alignment with these statements; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i-West O‘ahu in support of Dr. Saul and her current works such as, Professional Development, Student Engagement, Campus Culture, Scholarly Works, and Mentoring; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i-West O‘ahu encourages the continuation of her works on campus as it is of vital importance to the achieving of said statements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be sent to: Board of Regents of the University of Hawai‘i, Hawai‘i State Legislature, University of Hawai‘i – West O‘ahu Chancellor Maenette Benham; University of Hawai‘i – West O‘ahu Vice Chancellor of Administration Kevin Ishida; University of Hawai‘i -West O‘ahu Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Judy Oliveira, University of Hawai‘i – West O‘ahu Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Jeffrey Moniz, The Faculty Senate, The Hoot, the student body, the University of Hawai‘i System Student Caucus and all campus Student Governments within the state of Hawai‘i.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yeas(s):** Vice President Oda, Treasurer Magdato, Secretary Nguyen, Senators Millerd, Pagaduan [5]

**Nay(s):** [0]

**Abstain(s):** [0]

<sup>1</sup><http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/default/assets/File/oie/UHWO%20Quick%20Facts%202016.pdf>

<sup>2</sup><http://lrbhawaii.org/con/conart10.html>

<sup>3</sup>[http://uhcc.hawaii.edu/OVPCC/strategic\\_planning/mission.php](http://uhcc.hawaii.edu/OVPCC/strategic_planning/mission.php)

<sup>4</sup>[http://uhcc.hawaii.edu/OVPCC/strategic\\_planning/mission.php](http://uhcc.hawaii.edu/OVPCC/strategic_planning/mission.php)

<sup>5</sup><http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/about-us/>

<sup>6</sup><http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/about-us/>