

## **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CA PROPOSITION 10 TO HELP SUPPORT STUDENT HOUSING AFFORDABILITY**

WHEREAS: Proposition 10 would repeal the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act, which prevents municipalities from enacting rent control on properties built after 1995, allows landlords to raise rent to market levels after a tenant moves out of a rent-controlled unit and forbids rent control from being applied to single-family homes and condos,<sup>1</sup>

WHEREAS: Costa Hawkins prohibits limitations on annual rent increases causing neighborhoods with ‘hot housing markets’ such as neighborhoods surrounding universities to face extreme rent hikes,<sup>2</sup>

WHEREAS, Westwood has the most expensive apartment rental rates in the city of Los Angeles, with the average price of a two-bed apartment soaring to nearly \$4,200,<sup>3</sup>

WHEREAS, the city of Los Angeles declared a “state of emergency” on homelessness in September 2015 and homelessness rates in the Westwood area increased by 22-27% from 2016 to 2017,<sup>4</sup>

WHEREAS: Students, Seniors, Latinos, African-Americans, low-wage workers, and families with young children are the most affected by California’s Housing crisis,<sup>5</sup>

WHEREAS: Five percent of both UC undergraduate and graduate student populations said they had experienced homelessness at some point during their enrollment,<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Daily Bruin, “Luskin Center Releases Prop. 10-pertinent report on LA rent control history” (October 2018) <https://dailybruin.com/2018/10/12/luskin-center-releases-prop-10-pertinent-report-on-la-rent-control-history/>

<sup>2</sup> The Daily Californian “Haas Institute policy brief highlights importance of rent control in solving housing crisis” (September 2018) <http://www.dailycal.org/2018/09/26/haas-institute-policy-brief-highlights-importance-of-rent-control-in-solving-housing-crisis/>

<sup>3</sup> Daily Bruin, “Westwood Rent Prices Highest in Los Angeles,” (April 2016) <http://dailybruin.com/2016/04/08/westwood-rent-prices-highest-in-los-angeles/>

<sup>4</sup> Daily Bruin, “Homeless count increases from 2016 in City of LA, Westwood,” (June 2017) <http://dailybruin.com/2017/06/02/homeless-count-increases-from-2016-in-city-of-la-westwood/>

<sup>5</sup> The Daily Californian “Haas Institute policy brief highlights importance of rent control in solving housing crisis” (September 2018) <http://www.dailycal.org/2018/09/26/haas-institute-policy-brief-highlights-importance-of-rent-control-in-solving-housing-crisis/>

<sup>6</sup> Yes on 10 UCSA powerpoint [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1829G7MBQjV\\_H7vxLn0fL9WQizrYyL9w7HYxOHF3c3D8/edit#slide=id.p1](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1829G7MBQjV_H7vxLn0fL9WQizrYyL9w7HYxOHF3c3D8/edit#slide=id.p1)

LET IT BE RESOLVED; that the 2018-19 USAC supports California Proposition 10 to help combat student housing insecurity,

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED: that USAC urges the UCLA administration, including but not limited to Chancellor Block, make a statement supporting this legislation.