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## STUDENTS FOR ENERGY

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IN THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

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OCTOBER 17, 2014

SUBMITTED BY PRESIDENT DOMINGUEZ TO THE SENATE

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### A RESOLUTION

#### STUDENT FOR ENERGY

- 1     *Whereas, the role of a community college is to serve the students and the local and state*  
2     *wide community;*
- 3     *Whereas, Bakersfield and Kern County's biggest industries are oil & natural gas and*  
4     *agriculture, the Student Government Association should take special interest in the status*  
5     *of these industries;*
- 6     *Whereas, according the Kern Economic Development Corporation, Kern County is the*  
7     *leading producer of energy in California and that oil & natural gas, on average, account*  
8     *for five percent of California's GDP and approximately twenty percent of Kern County's*  
9     *GDP;*
- 10    *Whereas, hydraulic fracturing has played a major role in the extraction of oil & gas in Kern*  
11    *County and according the State of California Department of Conservation, "hydraulic*  
12    *fracturing has been used as a production stimulation method for more than 30 years with*  
13    *no reported damage to the environment."*

1       *Whereas, according to the Western States Petroleum Association "97 percent of California's*  
2       *hydraulic fracturing takes place in Kern County" therefore we have seen first hand the*  
3       *realities and positive impacts this method have had on our community;*

4       *Whereas, if this method of extraction were to be completely prohibited, Kern County's*  
5       *biggest industry would take a tremendous blow which in turn would greatly impact the*  
6       *well being of Kern County, California and all of its citizens;*

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

8             a) *We will stand in opposition of any law that completely prohibits the use of hydraulic*  
9             *fracturing in the county of Kern and the state of California;*

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

11            a) *We will work with our students and our community to properly educate them on the*  
12            *issues at hand and how our local industries are impacting our daily lives both long*  
13            *term and short term.*

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

15            a) *We respectfully request that the Secretary-Historian transmit a copy of this resolution*  
16            *to President and all Vice Presidents of Bakersfield College, the Chancellor of the*  
17            *Kern Community College District and to the Board of Trustees for the Kern*  
18            *Community College District.*

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