

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

[NUMBER - *CA-F20-001*]

PRIMARY AUTHOR(S)	Orlando Cabalo (President Pro Tempore)
SECONDARY AUTHOR(S)	Natalie Hernandez (Executive Vice President) Angelica Garcia (VP of Campus Internal Affairs) Vincent Rasso (VP of External Affairs) Alyssa Marchan (CHASS Senator) Mufida Assaf (CHASS Senator) Akanksha Sancheti (CNAS Senator) Akanksha Sancheti (CNAS Senator) Nava Majlesi (SPP Senator) Juan Morales Pascual (CHASS Senator) Abigail Nguyen (CNAS Senator) Lizbeth Marquez Torres (CHASS Senator) Leonardo Ballesteros (BCOE Senator) Lina Nguy (CNAS Senator)
SPONSOR(S)	Nelson Aguiar (CHASS Senator)

TITLE	Constitutional Supremacy Act
-------	------------------------------

#### BACKGROUND

The purpose of this senate bill is to propose an amendment to the ASUCR Constitution. The purpose of this constitutional amendment is to reinforce constitutional supremacy, over any subservient documents. This is to protect from possible misunderstandings in future ASUCR administrations, on whether a certain document takes precedence over another.

It is already the case that the ASUCR Constitution is the supreme document of the association. However, since there has been occasional confusion on which document must align with the other, this constitutional amendment is key. Due to the fact that the constitution is "the people's document" and is directly decided by students, the constitution reigns over other ASUCR documents. This constitutional amendment will only reinforce this truth, that has time and again been proven by the Legislature and the Judiciary.

# THROUGH STUDENT PETITION OR AN ACT OF THE ASUCR SENATE, AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE I IS SCHEDULED FOR A VOTE IN THE ASUCR GENERAL ELECTION,

#### **<u>ARTICLE I: Name, Membership, and Declarations</u>**

SECTION A. Name:



The official title of this organization shall be the "Associated Students of the University of California at Riverside," hereinafter referred to as the ASUCR.

#### SECTION B. Membership:

All registered undergraduate students of the University of California at Riverside who have paid the prescribed activity fee are members of this organization. Subject to other applicable qualifications herein, all members shall be eligible to hold office in the Association or in any of its subordinate organizations.

### Section C. Nondiscrimination Clause:

The Associated Students of UC Riverside shall not knowingly participate in or affiliate with any organization which discriminates (as discrimination is legally defined) on the basis of: race, color, national origin, creed, gender, religion, sex, disability, age, medical condition, gender identity, ancestry, ethnicity, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, military status, or socioeconomic status.

#### Section E. Constitutional Precedence:

The ASUCR Constitution shall be the supreme document of this organization. Any documents or bylaws conflicting with the ASUCR Constitution are to be in line with this document.

**Natalie Hernandez** *Executive Vice President* 

#### Signed Legislation can be found in the ASUCR Office

INTRODUCED ON - 10/2/2020 COMMITTEE APPROVED ON - 10/2/2020 VOTE COUNT - 7-0-0 SENATE APPROVED ON - 10/7/2020 (Send to Elections Director if passed) VOTE COUNT - 18-0-0