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Speaker: The Importance of Voting

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ICC Chair Aleman, introduced the following bill

An ASO BILL

-Speaker: The Importance of Voting-

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Description

Speaker night on the importance of voting, the electoral college, underrepresented communities, and Black Lives Matter on the upcoming presidential election.

2019-20 ASOC President's Signature: _____

Upon approval by Senate, shall be signed by Chair of the Senate.

ARTICLE I: Full Description

Section 1: Description of “My Vote Doesn’t Matter” Speaker Event

Section 1.1: The purpose of this bill is to authorize and explain the speaker event coordinated by the ASOC.

Section 1.2: This bill will appoint Christian Aleman as director and Kenneth Bui, and Diego Sevillano as the coordinators.

Section 1.3: This event will be completely virtual and held over Zoom.

ARTICLE II: Mission Statement

This speaker event is intended to encourage indecisive students to participate in not only the presidential election but local and statewide elections as well. It is also to inform students about ballot measures, the effects on the community, and the arguments for and against certain propositions.

ARTICLE III: Timeline

Section 3: Logistical Information

Section 3.1 Length/Size: The event is scheduled to be at least an hour-long. We are expecting at least fifty students to attend the event.

Section 3.2 Location/Time: The event will take place on Thursday, October 29th, from 5-6 pm. This event will be completely online via Zoom.

Section 3.3 Attendees: The amount of attendees we expect is approximately 50 attendees. Attendees will be encouraged to ask questions during segments of the event and end with a civil forum of diverse perspectives. There will also be students planted in the audience to engage with the audience.

Section 3.4 Moderators: There will be moderators facilitating the political discussion. These representatives can be any student who volunteers to moderate the event and agrees to maintain a civil environment. There is a potential of student planters being provided by the Civic Engagement Club. Moderators will make sure that students are being respectful and kind. Students who are being disrespectful will receive a warning, may have microphone privileges revoked, or be removed from the event.

Section 3.4.1: “Set-up” for the event will take place at 5:50 PM on October 29th.

Section 3.4.2: Moderators shall attend a brief workshop to develop skills on diffusing tense conversations as well as recognizing their own biases.

Section 3.7 Presentation: Along with ICC Chair Aleman, Senators Bui and Sevillano shall work on creating a basis for what the presentation shall look like. The deadline for a concrete plan is to be completed by October 25th. They shall collaborate with Professor Bettridge to meet and discuss a comprehensive plan for this event on Sunday, October 25th, and again on a later date (tentative). They will also meet after the event to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the event (date is also tentative, however, it is most likely that this shall be discussed immediately following the forum of this event).

ARTICLE IV: Goals and Objectives

Section 4.1: To encourage students to use their voice and vote

Section 4.2: To create dissonance by discussing the uncomfortable topic of police brutality and the discrimination of underrepresented communities.

Section 4.3 To objectively inform students about the different propositions being voted on in this election.

Section 4.4: To create a forum for students to voice their comments and personal experience in regards to the topics discussed.

ARTICLE V: Funding Options

Section 5.1: The funding amount required for the Speaker: The Importance of Voting event is \$0.00 due to the event taking place over Zoom and the lack of a speaker fee.

ARTICLE VI: Enactment Date:**Section 6: Date of Event & Time**

Section 6.1: The *anticipated* date of the “My Vote Doesn’t Matter” event is finalized for the 29th of October 2020 from 5 PM-6PM.
