# ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY FORTY-FOURTH SENATE III SESSION SEPTEMBER 10th, 2014

### **RESOLUTION #4402**

# Colorado State University Police Department Complaint Procedural Reform

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WHEREAS: Colorado State University Police Department ensures the health

and safety of the campus and its surrounding area through its law

enforcement services; and,

WHEREAS: Despite numerous hours of training and careful execution of said

services with the utmost concern for integrity, by the Colorado State University Police Department, all people are fallible and

capable of making mistakes; and,

WHEREAS: Regardless of the reason why Colorado State University law

enforcement officers need to interact with the public, people have the right to have their dignity and rights preserved. If the conduct of a Colorado State University law enforcement officer fails to preserve the rights and dignity of an individual then they have the right to express those concerns and grievances to the department through a procedural process of submitting complaints; and,

WHEREAS: The current initial step to the procedural process of submitting

complaints, commendations, and grievances in regards to the conduct of the Colorado State University police department

employees can be discouraging and overburdening on complainants; so,

### THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

That the 44th Senate of the Associated Students of Colorado State University recommends that the Colorado State University Police Department reform the current initial portion for filing a complaint, commendation, or grievance to the department in order to foster a more seamless and welcoming means to establish a personal and/or a community dialogue; and,

### THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

That the 44th Senate of the Associated Students of Colorado State University recommends that the Colorado State University Police Department adopt an online interactive form for submission of complaints similar to that of the Denver's Office of the Independent Monitor's Complaint/Commendation Form which oversees complaints for Denver Police Department. This online form should be able to be submitted at the time of filing in addition to the current method for initiating the procedure. Said online form should be easily accessible and displayed from the main page of the Colorado State University Police Department's main web page; and,

## THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED/RESOLVED

That the 44th Senate of the Associated Students of Colorado State University recommend that a continued relationship between the members of Senate and the Colorado Police Department be maintained in order to foster a consistent dialogue and that the above recommendations are implemented within an appropriate amount of time; and,

### THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED/RESOLVED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Dr. Anthony Frank, Colorado State University President; and Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; and Amy Parsons, Vice President for University Operations; and Chief Scott Harris, Chief of Police Colorado State University.

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