Whereas the mission of the City University of New York is to provide access, excellence and education to all the people of the City of New York; and

Whereas CUNY too hastily, too thoughtlessly, and unilaterally determined that it should impose higher tuition on out-of-status and undocumented students even though they may have graduated from a New York City high school; and

Whereas thousands of students will be denied this opportunity if higher tuition is imposed; and

Whereas both the University Faculty Senate and PSC-CUNY passed Resolutions calling for the State Legislature to enact statutory changes to maintain the eligibility of out-of-status and undocumented students who have one or more years of high school in New York; therefore, be it

Resolved that New York State United Teachers will support the legislation introduced by Assemblyman Peter Rivera that states "... the board of trustees shall charge the same rate of tuition that is charged to state residents, to any person who is an alien, if such person: attended a secondary or high school in the state, and received a high school diploma from a secondary or high school within the state, or obtained a general education diploma issued within the state."