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WHEREAS, the climate crisis is a serious threat to current and future generations here at UCR and around the world; and,

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement calls to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by keeping a global temperature rise this century below 2 degrees Celsius and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and,

WHEREAS, available wind resources could power the nation 10 times over and existing solar potential could provide more than 100 times current energy needs; and,

WHEREAS, too much of University of California Riverside energy comes from fossil fuels that pollute our air and water and alter our climate; and,

WHEREAS, the University of California Riverside is already acting to reduce carbon emissions and promote clean energy, including the solar farm, bike share, and local food programs, and,

WHEREAS, the University of California Riverside can get 100 percent of its energy from clean, renewable sources by harnessing solar and wind resources and taking advantage of innovations in energy efficiency, green transportation, energy storage, and other technologies; Now, therefore, let it be,

RESOLVED, That the Associated Students of University of California, Riverside

1 https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oKyWtr1pltuG96Puy_l_-PA1azRYlokpw7tOBaKe-n-A/edit
2 http://www.cleanlineenergy.com/technology/wind-and-solar
(1) Encourage Chancellor Wilcox of University of California Riverside to commit to achieving a goal of 100 percent clean, renewable energy no later than 2050;
(2) UCR will avoid taking actions that could increase the use of fossil fuels or delay the transition to 100 percent renewable energy;
(3) UCR will take actions to promote clean energy and reduce fossil fuels.

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