

RESOLUTION #5611 - A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE “NO” POSITION ON PROPOSITIONS 134 AND 135 IN THE 2026 COLORADO GENERAL ELECTION



THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

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NOTICE: *A signature to sponsor means that you only wish for the legislation to be heard, whereas a signature to endorse means that you support the contents and/or actions of this legislation.*

WRITTEN BY: Jack Pendleton, Associate Senator, Pride Resource Center, Chair, Internal Affairs

COLLABORATED WITH:

SPONSORED BY:

ENDORSED BY: **Estevan Vega**, ASCSU Speaker Pro Tempore; **Kieran Bakken**, Senator, Walter Scott Junior College of Engineering, ASCSU Senate Recruitment and Retention Officer; **Enock Monanti, Black/African** American Cultural Center; **Sam Shaw**, Senator, College of Business; **Ferrin Jaudon**, ASCSU Chief of Staff; **Brooke Reese**, Senator, Pride Resource Center; **Blake Simpson**, Senator, Pride Resource Center; **Mackenzie Franks**, Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences, Chair, Women and Social Justice Caucus; **Daniel Magallanez**, Senator, College of Natural Sciences; Kjell Bennett, Asian American Pacific Culture Center; **Soledad Vega-Langley**, Associate Senator, El Centro; **Ashley Perez**, Senator, El Centro; **Ava Fricke**, Associate Director of Governmental Affairs; Brandon Choi, Associate Senator, Asian Pacific American Culture Center; University Affairs Committee;

ABSTRACT: *This resolution calls for ASCSU to endorse the no position on Anti-LGBTQIA+ ballot initiatives, proposition #134 and proposition #135 in the 2026 General Election.*

WHEREAS (1),

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That ballot initiative #134 “aims to prevent transgender children from participating in school sports. It would add language in state statute to define boys and girls based on physical anatomy, excluding transgender people. Sports teams sponsored by schools or athletic associations would be required to expressly designate those teams for men, women or co-ed.” (1); and,

WHEREAS (2),

That ballot initiative #135 “...would prohibit health care professionals from knowingly performing any surgery on a minor ‘for the purpose of altering biological sex characteristics.’ The measure would also prohibit state and federal funding including Medicaid from being used to pay for gender-affirming procedures.” (1); and,

WHEREAS (3),

Rocky Mountain Equality and Rocky Mountain Equality Action Fund have organized the “Hands Off Colorado” campaign in opposition to ballot initiatives that the organizations argue would negatively affect all Coloradans; and,

WHEREAS (4),

Chapters of the Democratic Socialists of America across Colorado, including the Northern Colorado chapter, have organized a parallel campaign, “NO on 134 & 135!”, with a focus on ground level organizing; and,"

WHEREAS (5),

Over the course of this year, over 525 Anti-LGBTQIA+ bills have been introduced in state legislatures across the United States (3). This continues to lead to LGBTQIA+ people in the United States to migrate from states with restrictive and hostile legislative climates to states offering protection and safety, including Colorado (3); and,

WHEREAS (6),

ASCSU has a responsibility uphold the principles of community and, by extension, to represent and advocate for the interests of Colorado State University students, including LGBTQIA+ students, whose ability to participate fully in academic, athletic, and campus life may be affected by changes to state policy concerning LGBTQIA+ people; and so,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED (1)

That ASCSU endorses the “NO” position on proposition #134 and proposition #135 for the 2026 General election ballot; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED (2)

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That ASCSU shall offer an endorsement to the “NO on 134 & 135!” campaign ; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED (3)

That, contingent upon the passage of both this Resolution and ASCSU Resolution #5611, titled “A Resolution to Endorse the ‘No’ Position on Amendment 81 in the 2026 Colorado General Election” ASCSU shall offer an endorsement to the “the Hands-off Colorado” Campaign; and

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED (4)

That ASCSU members are encouraged to educate, volunteer, and organize themselves and others around Propositions 134 and 135; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED (5)

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Amy Parsons, President, Colorado State University; Tony Frank, Chancellor, CSU System; Lise Youngblade, Interim Provost and Executive Vice President, Student Affairs; Blanche Hughes, Vice President, Student Affairs; Kauline Cipriani, Vice President for Inclusive Excellence, Office of the President; Carmen Rivera, Assistant Vice President of Engagement and Belonging ; Montez Butts, Executive Director of the Lory Student Center, Student Affairs; Pamela Norris, Associate Executive Director Engagement and Talent Development, Student Affairs; Rickey Frierson, Assistant Vice President of Cultural Resource Centers ; Lindsey Sell, Associate Executive Director Engagement and Belonging of the Lory Student Center ; Ben Schrader, Director, Adult Learner and Veteran Services, ASCSU Advisor; Duan Ruff, Director, Student Leadership Involvement and Community Engagement; Julia Pratt, Assistant Director for Student Government, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement; Farah Shah, ASCSU/SLiCE Accounting Support for Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement; Tim Kefalas, ASCSU/SLiCE Accountant, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement; Ali Raza, Assistant Director of Involvement, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement, ASCSU Advisor; Elisa Randazzo, ASCSU Administrative Assistant; Warner College of Natural Resources College Council; Ag Council; College of Liberal Arts Representative Council; Natural Sciences College Council; College of Health and Human Sciences Dean’s Leadership Council; College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences College Council; College of Business Dean’s Student Leadership Council; Lisa Chandler, Assistant Director, Adult Learner and Veteran Services; Kathleen Fairfax, Vice Provost, International Affairs, Colorado State University; Chad Hoseth, Assistant Vice Provost, International Affairs, Colorado State University; Greg Wymer, Director, International Student Scholars and Services; Mary Ann Lucero, Executive Director, Academic Advancement Center; Elizabeth Sink, Lead, Multifaith and Belief Initiatives; Gaurav Harshe, Interim Director, Asian Pacific American Cultural Center; John Miller IV, Director, Black/African American Cultural Center; Aaron Escobedo Garmon, Director, El Centro; Maggie Hendrickson, Director, Pride Resource Center; Tyrone Smith, Director, Native American Cultural Center; Imani

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Lindberg, Interim Director, Survivor Advocacy & Foundational Education Center; Justin Dove, Director, Student Disability Center; Amy Taylor, Senior Director, Accessibility Center;

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RESOURCES:

- (1) Colorado Newsline, “14 measures will appear on Colorado’s statewide ballot in 2026” - [Here](#)
 - (2) Rocky Mountain Equality, Hands off Campaign - [Here](#)
 - (3) American Civil Liberties Union, “Mapping Attacks on LGBTQ Rights in U.S. State Legislatures in 2026” - [Here](#)
 - (4) The Trevor Project via Thriving Mind South Florida, “LGBTQ youth are more than four times as likely to attempt suicide as their peers” - [Here](#)
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THAT THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO:

Tony Frank, Chancellor of the Colorado State University System

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