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**SS-S20-3, Sense of the Senate Resolution, On Maximum Flexibility and Support of SJSU Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

**Legislative History:**

At its meeting of March 23, 2020, the Academic Senate approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senators Parent and Kaur from the floor of the Senate.

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On Maximum Flexibility and Support of SJSU Students  
During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

**Resolved:** That the SJSU Academic Senate supports Provost Vincent Del Casino Jr.'s message of March 20, 2020, "Managing Teaching and Learning in Times of Disruption," which expresses the need for maximum flexibility and understanding during this sudden period of mandatory remote instruction.

**Resolved:** That the Senate reiterate the importance for all SJSU faculty to accommodate students, many of whom have had or are experiencing hardships that include, but are not limited to, stress, anxiety, depression, other mental health issues, unexpected disruptions in work schedules, financial difficulties, shifts in housing and study environments, and the ability to access adequate or regular computer equipment or internet service.

**Rationale:** In the midst of the unprecedented disruption of regular instruction in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the sudden move to mandatory remote teaching during Spring 2020, we understand that all members of the campus community are adjusting to new modalities of teaching. However, accommodations are especially needed to help students during this difficult transition.

1) Students report that some faculty, during the chaos of the recent conversion, did not hold their normal office hours. We hope that as faculty and students

