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TO ALL MEMBERS OF AEP:

After several months of work by the Constitution Revision Committee, with revision and approval by the Executive Committee on April 30, 1988, and still further revision by the State Meeting in San Jose on June 4, 1988, the Constitution is before you for approval and ratification.

We hope that you will be pleased with it. The members participating at the State Meeting expressed the view that the changes made will meet the needs of an expanding organization. Some of the more important changes and rationale for these changes are listed below:

** Name change from AEP, Association of Emeriti Professors to the more inclusive ERFA, Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association. There have been complaints that if we took a literal interpretation of emeriti, we would eliminate many retired faculty who deserved to be in our organization.

** In Section 2, of the Constitution - Membership, the language is more specific and comprehensive in clarifying who may join this organization.

** Article 5 of the Constitution, and Articles 5, 6, and 7 of the By-laws spell out the expanding role of the State Meeting renamed the State Council. Formerly, there were only two state meetings, one in the north and one in the south. Now, with the five State Council meetings, alternating between the north and south, we should have greater participation statewide.

This is the first full membership ratification of a constitution. There may be others in the future. If you have suggestions for future revisions, please forward them to the office. Thank you for your time and support. Please use the attached card and vote on the ratification items, sign the outside envelope and return it to the office.

Return by July 25, 1988. If ratified by a majority of votes, the revised Constitution and By-laws will become operative.

Sincerely, Jack A. Byrom, President

Approved by Executive Committee 4-30-88
Approved by State meeting 6-04-88

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

EMERITUS AND RETIRED FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Proposed CONSTITUTION Revision

Article I NAME - The name of this non-profit organization shall be the California State University Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association.

Article II PURPOSE - The purpose of this organization shall be:

1. To assist in establishing the emeritus & retired faculty of California State University as continuing and participating members of the academic community.

2. To provide opportunities for maintaining professional relations with colleagues both within and outside the University system.

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ON PAGE 5 AND JOIN WITH US!

3. To enhance the status of emeritus and retired faculty, to represent and promote their common interests, and to facilitate their productive service to the University and its mission.

4. To assist the California State University and its respective campuses through continuing support, counsel and service in the interests of its present and future students.

5. To develop avenues of communication among emeritus and retired faculty and to gather and disseminate information bearing upon their shared concerns and available resources.

6. To encourage the adoption of enlightened retirement policies and practices throughout the University and to proffer counsel on retirement issues to the active faculty.

7. To help emeritus and retired professors continue their scholarly endeavors as contributing members of the University, through teaching, research, publication, and consultation, and to seek University support for such endeavors.

8. To improve the general welfare of each emeritus and retired professor of the University.

Article III MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATIVES - Section 1 Representatives are defined in the bylaws.

Section 2 Membership -- All full time tenured faculty, professional librarians, and academic administrators of a California State University or College and such others as have been accorded faculty status on individual campuses and who have official recognition as being retired are eligible for membership in this association. Members shall have voting rights and be eligible to serve on committees and to enjoy all the rights and privileges of the association.

Article IV OFFICERS -- Section 1 The officers of the organization, elected from the membership, shall be President, Immediate Past-President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The president and the vice president shall be from different campuses. The offices shall have such duties and responsibilities as shall be assigned to them by the state council.

Section 2 The officers shall be elected by secret ballot if there is more than one nominee for a specific office on the Executive Committee; otherwise a voice vote shall be in order.

Article V THE STATE COUNCIL -- SECTION 1 Purpose: The State Council shall be the governing body of the association.

Section 2 -The State Council shall consist of the elected officers and representatives from the campuses of the California State University. The association members of each campus shall be entitled to select annually one representative from among its association members for each seventy-five association members or fraction thereof.

Section 3 - Committees: There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers of the State Council and such ex-officio members as may be prescribed in the bylaws. The State Council may establish additional committees as needed and appropriate. Committees shall have such duties and responsibilities as shall be assigned them by the State Council.

Section 4 - Meetings: There shall be at least one meeting in the north and one in the south. Additional meetings shall be held as prescribed in the bylaws.

Article VI - DUES AND ASSESSMENTS - Dues and Assessments are defined in the by-laws.

Article VII BYLAWS - The by-laws shall be the rules and regulations, necessary and appropriate for the immediate and detailed functioning of the State Council. A by-law may be proposed at a meeting of the State Council, or at other times by the Executive Committee, or by a petition signed by representatives from at least three campuses and in such time as to enable the secretary to send the proposed by-law to each representative at least two weeks prior the the next spring or fall meeting at which time action on the proposal must take place.

Article VIII INITIATIVE - Regular members may initiate action in the following manner: The State Council shall consider at its next spring or fall meeting the formal action specified by a written petition presented to the President which bears the signatures of at least fifty members of the association. If that meeting of the State Council fails to affirm the action requested by the petitioners, that action shall, if the petitioners so request, be reconsidered at the following

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

EMERITUS AND RETIRED FACULTY ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BY-LAWS

Article I DUES AND ASSESSMENTS -

Section 1 The dues of the Association and all assessments shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by a majority vote of the Council.

Section 2 The academic year, July 1 through the following June 30, shall constitute the fiscal year.

Section 3 Those members paying monthly shall have their dues deducted by PERS.

Section 4 Effective July 1, 1988, members paying annually by check shall renew their dues on the first day of the anniversary month that they submitted their application for membership.

Section 5 Effective July 1, 1987, there shall be a three tier dues structure: Regular member \$1/month
Sustaining member \$2/month
Contributing member \$3/month.
Members may pay annually by check or monthly by dues deduction.

Article II DUTIES OF OFFICERS -

Section 1 The president shall preside at meetings of the State Council and of the Executive Committee, shall exercise general supervision over the affairs of the Association, and shall serve as ex-officio member of all standing committees.

Section 2 The vice-president shall assume the duties and the responsibilities of the president in the absence of the latter, and shall serve as chair of a standing committee.

Section 3 The secretary shall send notices to the representatives and members, shall present reports and communications as the need arises, shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the organization, and shall be the custodian of all organizational records.

Section 4 The treasurer shall be the custodian of organizational funds and shall present a complete statement of the financial standing of the organization at the close each fiscal year, both to the Executive Committee and to the representatives at the following regular Council meeting.

meeting; and if the council rejects the proposal the second time and if the petitioners so request the action shall be submitted to a vote by a secret mail ballot of all association members to be held in sixty days. Arguments for an affirmative vote shall consist of approval by a majority of all votes cast.

Article IX REFERENDUM - All formal actions taken by the State Council shall be subject to referral to the Association membership in the following manner: upon presentation to the president of a petition bearing the signatures of at least fifty Association members, the State Council shall at its next council meeting reconsider its formal action as specified by the petitioners. If the State Council reaffirms its action, that action, at the request of the petitioners, shall be submitted to a vote by a secret mail ballot of all the association members to be held within sixty days. Arguments for and against the proposition shall accompany the ballot. The arguments for action shall be prepared by the State Council, and the arguments against the action shall be prepared by petitioners. If a majority of all those voting rejects the action of the State Council, that action shall be null and void.

Article X AMENDMENTS - An amendment to the Constitution may be proposed by the Executive Committee or by a majority vote of the representatives at a meeting of the State Council or by presentation to the President of a petition bearing the signatures of at least fifty Association members. A properly proposed amendment shall be submitted to a vote by secret mail ballot to all the Association members within sixty days. Arguments for the amendment shall be prepared by the proposers, and the arguments against the amendment, if any, shall be prepared by Association members who are opposed to the amendment. Arguments for and against a proposed amendment shall accompany the ballot. An amendment to the constitution shall require ratification by a majority of all votes cast.

Article XI RATIFICATION - This constitution shall be effective upon the favorable vote a majority of the Association members voting in a secret mail ballot.

Article III COMMITTEES - STATE COUNCIL

Section 1 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: The committee shall be composed of five ERFA members elected by the Executive Committee annually. This committee shall participate with campus membership chairs in providing up-to-date lists of retired members and undertake the recruitment of new members.

Section 2 PUBLICATION COMMITTEE: The committee shall be composed of the editor and three members elected by the Executive Committee annually. The editor shall serve on the Executive Committee. The committee shall produce ERFA publications including the ERFA REPORTER, brochures and organizational materials.

Section 3 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: The committee shall be composed of three members elected by the Council annually, the committee shall obtain copies of proposed legislation and follow developments that affect the welfare of the members of ERFA.

Section 4 MONITORING COMMITTEE: The chair of the legislative committee, the emeriti statewide academic senate delegate, and the emeriti CFA delegate shall be ex-officio members of this committee. Each of the members shall be elected annually by the Council, and shall serve on the Executive Committee. The committee shall advise the executive committee concerning issues affecting ERFA and where possible present ERFA views to the academic senate, California State University Trustees, Chancellor's Office, California Faculty Association and the legislature.

Section 5 AD HOC COMMITTEES: The Executive Committee may establish ad hoc committees as need arises.

Section 6 VACANCIES: The President shall have the authority to fill committee vacancies.

Article IV NOMINATION AND ELECTION: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1 - Nomination and Election The Executive Committee shall appoint three Association members to serve as a Nominating Committee to prepare a list of proposed officers and Executive Committee members. Nominees may be added to the list from the floor at the annual spring Council meeting. At least two weeks written notice shall be given of the time and place of this meeting.

Section 2 -Terms of Office Officers and Executive Committee members shall serve for one year terms, beginning July 1, unless re-elected.

Section 3 - Vacancies Vacancies occurring within the Executive Committee shall be filled by a majority vote of the State Council. Appointees shall serve until the next annual Spring Council meeting.

Section 4 A quorum shall consist of three members of the Executive Committee.

Article V ELECTION PROCEDURES - REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1 Prior to the Spring Council meeting, the president/or designee of the university retiree organization shall call a meeting of the members at each campus to elect a representative or representatives to the State Council.

Section 2 The representatives shall serve for a one year term with option for re-election.

Section 3 If a vacancy occurs among the representatives, the campus organization will replace that person using the above procedure.

Section 4 Provided that this constitution is approved, the initial campus representatives shall be elected between June 4, 1988 and the next council meeting and shall serve until June 30 of the following year.

Article VI VOTING : STATE COUNCIL:

Section 1 Each representative and each member of the Executive Committee shall have one vote. When campuses have multiple representatives, the attending representatives may cast authorized proxy ballots for absent representatives.

Section 2 On a mail ballot, the outside ballot envelope must be signed by the individual representative or association member.

Article VII QUORUM: STATE COUNCIL:

Section 1 ^{at least} Five meetings shall be held each year, alternating, whenever possible, between the north and south.

Section 2 - At a scheduled meeting of the State Council, a quorum shall consist of thirty percent of the total number of representatives.

Article VIII TAX EXEMPT STATUS:

In the event that the membership by an authorized electoral process should decide to dissolve the Association, all debts shall be satisfied. All remaining assets of the Association shall be distributed to other educational

associations designated by the last elected executive committee or by the membership of the Association, and which qualify under Section 501-C3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article IX PARLIMENTARY AUTHORITY:

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the parliamentary authority for this organization.

Article X ENABLING CLAUSE:

For the purpose of establishing the constitutional revision enabling provisions will obtain until June 30, 1989.

Section 1 The slate of Executive Committee members recommended by the 1987-88 nominating committee shall be presented to the State Council meeting on June 4, 1988 and serve until June 30, 1989, if elected.

Section 2 Provided that this constitution revision receives a majority vote of approval, elected representatives shall officially assume their seats at the September council meeting with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

Section 3 Five meetings shall be held during the first year, alternating between the north and south.

A L E R T !!!

VICTORY (PARTIAL) AT LAST !

The Senior Legislature, a co-member of our California Senior Coalition, helped make history this week with passage of ACA-60 (Assembly Constitutional Amendment-60 Hauser) on a 12-7 vote by the Assembly Committee on Finance and Insurance. That success marked the first time a proposal for a COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE HEALTH PLAN has survived a policy committee of the State Legislature. (Letters should be sent thanking the Chair, Patrick Johnston and the following legislators who voted "yes"; Tom Bane, Nick Bronzan, Pete Chacon, Dave Elder, Jack O'Connell, Gwen Moore, Steve Clute, Sam Farr, Teresa Hughes, and Richard Katz. Voting "no" were Dennis Brown, Cathie Wright, Bill Lancaster, Marian LaFollette, John Lewis, Eric Seastrand and Phil Wyman. Net voting: Ross Johnson.)

CSL, California Senior Legislature, members have done a magnificent job with visits, letters, and calls, educating Legislators and their staffs about the need for, and the possibilities of, an organized plan to confront the problems of health care. All are to be soundly congratulated for that achievement.

But we cannot rest on our laurels. Finance and Insurance was only one hurdle. (Be sure to call the CSL Hotline for the latest developments (916) 445-9931)

After that, there will be the Assembly Ways & Means Committee and then the Assembly Floor battle where ACA-60 will need a 2/3 vote- 54. At least 12 Republicans will have to be convinced that ACA-60 is a serious and reasonable proposal. The difficulty of that task can be measured by the fact than, so far, the bill has had no republican support.

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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION OF EMERITI PROFESSORS

Membership Form

AEP

Last Name First Name Initial Social Security Number

Home Address - Number and Street City State Zip Code

Date Retired CSU Campus Department Home Phone

Please enroll me as a retired AEP member. I hereby authorize deductions to be made from my retirement warrants by Public Employees' Retirement System for the payment of dues to the Association of Emeriti Professors. I further agree that AEP act as my agent in payroll deduction agreements and transactions between myself, AEP, and the Public Employees' Retirement System. This authorization will continue in effect until I submit a timely written notice of cancellation to the AEP office.

Check one:

- Regular member - \$1.00 monthly
Sustaining member - \$2.00 monthly
Contributing member - \$3.00 monthly
I prefer paying on a yearly basis. I am enclosing a check for: \$12.00, \$24.00, \$36.00 (check one)

Please mail the completed form to: CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION OF EMERITI PROFESSORS 9010 Reseda Boulevard, Suite 224 Northridge, CA 91324

Signature

Date

ASSOCIATION OF EMERITI PROFESSORS

A sour note was delivered at the F & I Hearing by Assemblyman Dennis Brown from Long Beach who commented that "One of the best ways to fund health care would be to abolish the Senior Legislature and use the money they collect to pay for it." Dennis Brown's attack on the seniors of California should not be forgotten. It represents not only his view of the CSL, but is an indication of the little concern he has for finding solutions to the looming crisis of health care in this state. His constituents, especially seniors, should be aware of Dennis Brown's attitudes toward them.

As more definite information is received, you will receive it. Meanwhile, we can begin the campaign on the next round.

Members of the Assembly Ways & Means Committee are: Chair Assemblyman John Vasconcellos, Dennis Brown, William Baker, Nick Bronzan, Robert Campbell, Gil Ferguson, Terry Friedman, Tom Hannigan, Frank Hill, Phillip Isenberg, Ross Johnson, Bill Jones, Bill Leonard, John Lewis, Burt Margolin, Tom McClintock, Jack O'Connell, Richard Polanco, Tom Roos, Erick Seastrand, Jackie Speier, and Maxine Waters.

All letters can be addressed to the above members - State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814

ACA-60 will probably be scheduled for Ways & Means after the summer recess, sometime the first two weeks of August.

You can be most helpful by writing and calling your assembly person. Give them your name and organization and show them your support.

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BAKERSFIELD	1
CHICO	44
DOMINGUEZ HILLS	5
FRESNO	33
FULLERTON	37
HAYWARD	27
HUMBOLDT	35
LONG BEACH	107
LOS ANGELES	68
NORTHRIDGE	94
POMONA	27
SACRAMENTO	42
SAN BERNARDINO	7
SAN DIEGO	92
SAN FRANCISCO	43
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