



Student Union Assembly (SUA), Office of the Chair

1156 High Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95064
Student Union Assembly 2nd floor, c/o Soar

February 20th, 2014

Re: Student Union Assembly Foundation for the Ivan Mercado Scholarship

Dear Provost Sean Keilen,

I am writing to formally notify you that the Student Union Assembly has voted to transfer our SUA Foundation of \$10,067.48 to the Ivan Mercado Scholarship foundation. This foundation was donated to us by an alumnus several years ago and is not student fees. This gives SUA the authority to appropriate this funding on a discretionary basis.

We have recognized the importance of what this scholarship will mean to both Porter College Community and Transfer Community. We hope this scholarship fund will benefit many students who fall into the category of the Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics' fields (STEM) in honor of Mr. Mercado's astrophysics major. However, we have full faith in Porter Senate and the Porter College & Community to specify the scholarship criteria or further logistics.

We send our deepest condolences to the Mercado family, and hope this scholarship will bring a legacy to his name; he was a friend, colleague, classmate, and Banana Slug to many UC Santa Cruz Students.

I will be working with the Assistant Dean of Students, Lucy Rojas, who will be transferring the funds to the appropriate FOAPAL. If there are any questions, feel free to contact me at suachair@ucsc.edu.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shaz Umer".

Shaz Umer, Student Union Assembly Chair
Undergraduate, Merrill College

Cc: Assistant Dean of Students Lucy Rojas,
Porter College Administrative Officer Michael Yamaguchi-Gleason
Porter College Program Coordinator James Blaine
Porter Senate Chair Neeka Farnoudi
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