



**Alaska Association of Student Governments**

**Resolution #3**

**Proposal for Filipino Language Classes**

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1. **Be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments;**
2. **Whereas**, Filipinos account for half of the total Asian population since 2014.
3. **Whereas**, many young Filipinos cannot speak, write, read, or understand Filipino.
4. **Whereas**, Avant Assessment's Avant WorldSpeak program contains Filipino as a testing option. This would allow a Filipino class to qualify for credits and the Seal of Biliteracy which would increase opportunities for all students.
5. **Whereas**, many schools and universities have created these classes for students. For example, the Olympian High School in California and the University of Hawai'i Manoa both offer Filipino programs.
6. **Whereas**, over 107 languages are spoken in the Anchorage School District.
7. **Whereas**, there are currently 9 world languages taught throughout the Anchorage School District.
8. **Whereas**, the Anchorage School District is home to the top two diverse schools in the nation, East and Bartlett High School.

**Therefore, be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that a Tagalog class should be created in whichever school would like to pilot this program.**

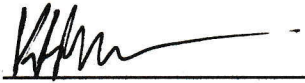
**Action statement: This resolution, if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, will be sent to the following:**

Council for Teaching Filipino Language and Culture (<http://www.ctflc.org/>)  
Alaska Federation of Filipino Americans ([tiabebe7652@hotmail.com](mailto:tiabebe7652@hotmail.com))  
Anchorage School Board ([schoolboard@asdk12.org](mailto:schoolboard@asdk12.org))

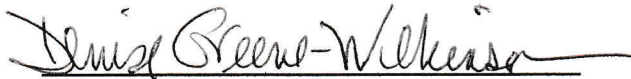
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**Passed unanimously by the Alaska Association of Student Governments at the Fall 2017 Conference.**

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Kyle Hasse, Vice President

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Denise Greene-Wilkinson, Executive Director