A Resolution to Authorize Military Force against ISIS

- WHEREAS, Article I, Section viii, of the Constitution grants Congress the power "to declare war"; and
- WHEREAS, Middle Eastern casualties due to the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)
 exceeded 35,000 during the first eight months of 2014, as revealed by the United Nations
 Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; and
- 3. **WHEREAS**, ISIS has engaged in a multitude of activities that grossly undermine the human dignity of Middle Eastern residents and American citizens; and
- 4. WHEREAS, ISIS has repeatedly issued direct threats to the United States; and
- 5. **WHEREAS**, it is the duty of Congress to "provide for the common defense," as stated in the Constitution; now, therefore, be it
- 6. **RESOLVED,** by the Student Congress here assembled that this body authorize the use of military force in Iraq, Syria, and any other Middle Eastern region infiltrated by ISIS.

Submitted by Archbishop Mitty High School

A Resolution to Lift the Cuban Embargo

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

WHEREAS, The United States placed the trade embargo on Cuba in 1962, and

WHEREAS, The embargo hurts both the US and the Cuban economy, and has cost the
United States 1.2 billion dollars annually in lost sales of exports, and

WHEREAS, The people of Cuba suffer due to lack of food and proper medical supplies otherwise supplied by the United States, and

WHEREAS, Cuba has not had terrorist affiliation for a long period of time and Cuba does not pose a threat to the United States anymore and is just a relic of Cold War Era thinking, and

WHEREAS, The U.S.'s embargo has not even achieved its goal of forcing Cuba to adopt a representative democracy, and 50 years of this has not stopped the Castro regime from stopping.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The United States should lift the current trade embargo that we currently place on Cuba.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Leland High School

A Bill to Increase American Engagement in the Asia-Pacific Region

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. The President of the United States is granted trade promotion authority to sign the Trans-Pacific Partnership.
- **SECTION 2**. Trade promotion authority shall be defined as the temporary presidential power to negotiate international agreements.
- SECTION 3. The United States Department of State shall oversee the implementation of this bill.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Leland High School

A BILL TO INCREASE US INVESTMENT IN MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS ASSEMBLED HERE THAT:
- **2. SECTION 1.** The United States will provide 70 billion dollars of monetary aid to Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) over the course of two fiscal years,
- **3. SECTION 2.** These funds shall go towards promoting economic advancement in developing nations,
- **4. SECTION 3.** The United States shall encourage its allies to make similar monetary contributions in the name of global prosperity,
- **5. SECTION 4.** The funds will be given directly to The World Bank, The African Development Bank, The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, The Inter-American Development Bank Group, and any other MDB approved by the overseeing body,
- **6. SECTION 5.** The exact distribution of funds will be set by the overseeing body,
- 7. SECTION 6. The Department of Treasury will be responsible for implementation of this bill,
- **8. SECTION 7.** The Department of Treasury will present a quarterly report to the House Committee of Foreign Affairs on its implementation of this bill,
- **9. SECTION 8.** This bill shall effect October 1st, 2016,
- **10. SECTION 9.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by The Harker School

A BILL TO SUPPLY ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS WITH VIDEO CAMERAS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. All United States Law Enforcement officials shall be required to wear mounted video cameras whilst on duty.
- **SECTION 2**. Law Enforcement officials who tamper with, or neglect to wear video cameras will be fined and possibly face criminal punishment if an altercation occurs when they have altered with the cameras ability to record or be reviewed.
- **SECTION 3.** Congress shall pass this law, which will be implemented at the local level
 - A. States shall provide the necessary funds for the initial purchase and upkeep of the cameras
 - B. Except for federal officers such as the FBI, where the federal government shall provide funds for the initial purchase and upkeep of the cameras.
- **SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect immediately and all Law Enforcement officers shall have cameras on duty all of the time within 1 year of the passage of this law.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. Submitted by Archbishop Mitty High School

A Bill to End California's Water Drought

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** 100 million dollars shall be added to California Water Department fund to combat the shortage of ground water.
- **SECTION 2.** Ground water is defined as the water located beneath the earth's surface in soil pore spaces and in the fractures of rock formations.
- SECTION 3. The California Water Department will oversee this fund.
 - This additional funding will not go to any other function but to help relive the ground water shortage.
- **SECTION 4.** March 10, 2015
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bellarmine College Preparatory.

A Resolution to Require all Schools to Enforce a School Uniform

WHEREAS, the issue of bullying is prevalent throughout all schools in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, much of this bullying stems from personal appearance regarding clothing; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 3 students have reported being bullied; and

WHEREAS, bullies and those who were bullied suffer in the long-term; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation for requiring that all public schools develop and enforce a school uniform to promote unity and reduce bullying.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Presentation High School.