## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE YOUNG AMERICA'S FOUNDATION AT UCSD

## ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called Young America's Foundation at UCSD.

#### ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Young America's Foundation at UCSD is a conservative group that is committed to ensuring that increasing numbers of young Americans understand and are inspired by the ideas of individual freedom, a strong national defense, free enterprise, and traditional values that are not often expressed on college campuses.

The goal of this organization is to support and promote the following ideas through conversation, activism, and debate:

- That foremost among the transcendent values is the individual's use of his God-given free will, whence derives his right to be free from the restrictions of arbitrary force;
- That liberty is indivisible, and that political freedom cannot long exist without economic freedom;
- That the purpose of government is to protect those freedoms through the preservation of internal order, the provision of national defense, and the administration of justice;
- That when government ventures beyond these rightful functions, it accumulates power, which tends to diminish order and liberty;
- That the Constitution of the United States is the best arrangement yet devised for empowering government to fulfill its proper role, while restraining it from the concentration and abuse of power;
- That the genius of the Constitution—the division of powers—is summed up in the clause that
  reserves primacy to the several states, or to the people, in those spheres not specifically
  delegated to the Federal government;
- That the market economy, allocating resources by the free play of supply and demand, is the single economic system compatible with the requirements of personal freedom and constitutional government, and that it is at the same time the most productive supplier of human needs;
- That when government interferes with the work of the market economy, it tends to reduce the moral and physical strength of the nation; that when it takes from one man to bestow on another, it diminishes the incentive of the first, the integrity of the second, and the moral autonomy of both;

- That we will be free only so long as the national sovereignty of the United States is secure; that history shows periods of freedom are rare, and can exist only when free citizens concertedly defend their rights against all enemies;
- That the forces of international Communism are, at present, the greatest single threat to these liberties:
- That the United States should stress victory over, rather than coexistence with, this menace; and
- That American foreign policy must be judged by this criterion: does it serve the just interests of the United States?

\*\*These values are outlined in the Sharon Statement created and owned by the Young America's Foundation national organization.

### ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

Young America's Foundation at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

## ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

No dues are required for membership. Anybody is eligible for membership if they are a student at UCSD. To become a member, email <u>yafatUCSD@gmail.com</u> requesting membership, or simply sign up at our table on Library Walk.

### ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS

Young America's Foundation at UCSD will meet weekly on Thursday nights from 9pm-10pm on the first floor of Geisel Library West. Attendance is not mandatory for members, but preferred. Minutes will not be taken.

# ARTICLE VI. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE AND METHODS OF SELECTING AND REPLACING OFFICERS

There are four Officers and one Committee of the Young America's Foundation at UCSD. Three Officers constitute the Executive Committee: President, Vice President, and Treasurer. In addition, we will have one Officer serve as the Marketing Director, who will be in charge of the Marketing Committee of the Young America's Foundation at UCSD. Duties are as follows:

- President sends emails to members of organization with new events/updates and hosts weekly meetings. Perform other duties as needed.
- Vice President sends emails to members of organization with any new events/updates and hosts weekly meetings when President is unavailable. Perform other duties as assigned.

- Treasurer requests funds from school, accounts for fundraising money, and performs other duties as assigned.
- Marketing Director organizes events and fundraisers to boost organization membership. Perform other duties as assigned.
- Marketing Committee performs duties as assigned by the Marketing Director in order to boost organization membership. Perform other duties as assigned.

Officers will be elected Week 5 of Spring Quarter by a majority vote of the members of the organization. Newly elected officers will serve the following school year starting Week 1 of Fall Quarter. Any member is eligible to run for office. Officers may be removed by a majority vote of the organization and a statement must be made regarding the reason for removal. New positions may be created at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

There are no major risks associated with our organization's activities. Young America's Foundation at UCSD is a registered student organization at University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. Young America's Foundation at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization. Young America's Foundation at UCSD does not work with minors or the elderly.

#### ARTICLE VIII. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Young America's Foundation at UCSD is not affiliated with any other group at UCSD. Young America's Foundation at UCSD is affiliated with the national group, Young America's Foundation. This affliction will provide our members with more resources and opportunities to better understand conservative values.