

**Resolution in Support of California Community Colleges
Budget Priorities and Principles
Resolution No. 10-05**

WHEREAS, California's higher education system is in a crisis situation with insufficient resources at a time of record demand due to high school graduates and unemployed residents seeking retraining; and

WHEREAS, under the Governor's Proposed Budget, California community colleges would face \$400 million in State general fund cuts; and

WHEREAS, Mt. San Antonio Community College District faces cuts of \$6.9 million under the Governor's Proposed Budget and \$12.1 million if an all-cuts budget were to be adopted instead; and

WHEREAS, California's locally elected community college trustees, together with their faculty, staff, and students, are best able to decide where budget reductions can be absorbed while minimizing the impact on their communities; and

WHEREAS, "targeted" cuts at specific curriculum that cost colleges the least to offer will – in addition to injuring students in transfer and career preparation programs – require districts to reduce enrollment in higher-cost programs, such as advanced technology and nursing; and

WHEREAS, fee increases charged to community college students should protect the quality of instruction and student services; and

WHEREAS, policy and practice reforms to improve student success and motivate student behavior should be based on sound research implemented in a manner to allow students and institutions to adjust.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mt. San Antonio Community College District supports redirecting any amount of student fee revenue increase to reduce the proposed apportionment cut to protect the quality of student instruction and services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mt. San Antonio Community College District opposes the proposal to distribute apportionment based on student retention and instead supports an additive, categorical incentive funding program to encourage student success, as proposed in the report A 2020 Vision for Student Success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Mt. San Antonio Community College District, by passage of this resolution, expresses its full support for the above principles.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23RD day of February 2011, by the following vote:

AYES: Baca, Bader, Chen Haggerty, Chyr, Hall

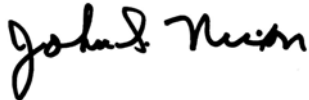
NOES:

ABSENT:



Judy Chen Haggerty, Esq.,
Board President

ATTEST:



John S. Nixon, Ph.D.
College President and Board Secretary