

**RESOLUTION
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
THE SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

STUDENT SUCCESS SUPPORT FOR ALL STUDENTS

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Community College District has a mission dedicated to the success of each student and is committed to serving all students who can benefit from a post-secondary education, without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, immigration status, age, gender, language, socio-economic status, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, medical condition or disability; and

WHEREAS, the recent national events have created uncertainty and emotional distress for some of our community college students and exacerbated social conflicts which interfere with students' educational success, including students belonging to certain religious faiths and students qualifying for the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and California AB540 students; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges Board of Governors has declared that all 113 community colleges should remain open and welcoming to all students who meet the minimum requirements for admission, regardless of immigration status, and that financial aid remains available to certain undocumented students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara Community College District welcomes and supports students from all backgrounds and immigration status; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara Community College District (consistent with the Board of Governor's resolution) will not release any personally identifiable student information related to immigration status without a judicial warrant, subpoena or court order, unless authorized by the student or required by law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees supports efforts of the Superintendent/President to ensure that all students have an opportunity to receive an education in the community college system, regardless of immigration status and any other protected status; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Santa Barbara Community College District reaffirms its existing commitment to support all its students' success in their educational journey, including providing financial aid services and counseling, for academic success and emotional well-being to the extent funding is available for these purposes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Barbara Community College District this 26th day of January 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes: Trustee Nielsen, Trustee Haslund, Trustee Abboud, Trustee Croninger, Trustee Blum, Trustee Gallardo, Trustee Kugler

Noes: None

Absent: None

Concur: Student Trustee Gribble



Dr. Anthony E. Beebe, Superintendent/President and Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Trustees