

Resolution of the Board of Trustees
San Diego Community College District

In the Matter of the State Budget Crisis and Local Education Impact

WHEREAS, the State of California continues to address a massive budget crisis without sufficient revenue to support necessary expenditures and hampered in decision-making by the two-thirds majority required to approve a budget and new taxes; and

WHEREAS, billions of dollars have been slashed from all sectors of education: the University of California, the California State University, the California Community Colleges, and K-12; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Community College District has seen its revenue reduced by over \$22 million, including a \$6.6 million "workload" adjustment in instructional apportionment revenue, and without COLA or other sources to mitigate annual inflationary costs, for a total negative economic impact of \$32 million; and

WHEREAS, the revenue impact has been exacerbated by the State's deferrals of payment to the local districts; and

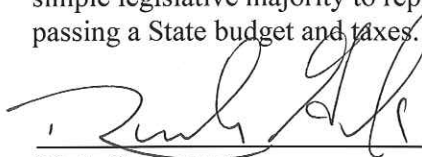
WHEREAS, the San Diego Community College District has avoided layoffs of permanent staff, but has been forced to eliminate over 125 positions in its ongoing hiring freeze, which negatively affects programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the institutions that comprise the San Diego Community College District have been forced to cut over 1,400 class sections at a time when enrollment demand is at its highest level due to unemployment and other economic factors; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Community College District plays a vital role in the economy and welfare of the region;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the San Diego Community College District, its Chancellor, and its staff will work with interested parties in the community and in the State to advocate for a balanced approach, including progressive tax policies, to resolve State budgetary problems that affect the delivery of high-quality education in our District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees will work with interested parties to advocate for a simple legislative majority to replace the two-thirds supermajority in the California Legislature for purposes of passing a State budget and taxes.




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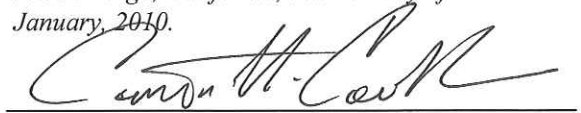


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*Passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees
of the San Diego Community College District
in San Diego, California, this 28th day of
January, 2010.*



Constance M. Carroll, Ph.D.
Chancellor

