

COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS ACADEMIC SENATE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STUDENTS IN UNCERTAIN POLITICAL TIMES

Whereas, reports of possible policy, legislation, and/or executive order changes following the United States Presidential election have caused many in the college community fear and anxiety regarding the uncertainty and consequences of such changes; and

Whereas, the California Community College Board of Governors has declared that all 113 California Community Colleges remain open, safe, and welcoming to all students regardless of immigration status;

Resolved, that the College of the Canyons Academic Senate affirm our commitment to the social justice mission of the community colleges, whose doors are open to all regardless of economic standing, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, immigration status, disability, or other actual or perceived categories of difference;

Resolved, that the College of the Canyons Academic Senate will stand in defense of our most vulnerable students and fellow employees, including people of color, women, LGBTQA+ people, Muslims and Arabs (and those perceived to be Muslims or Arabs), people with disabilities, Native/Indigenous people, undocumented persons and other vulnerable populations;

Resolved that College of the Canyons Academic Senate reaffirm its commitment to the values of inclusion, diversity, unity, open discussion, and success for all students, and

Resolved, that the College of the Canyons Academic Senate affirms its support of the Resolution passed by the Santa Clarita Community College District Board of Trustees on April 12, 2017 titled "Commitment to Creating A Welcoming Campus Environment Where All Students Feel Valued."

Approved by the Academic Senate 4/20/2017