MONTEREY PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-17/48

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Monterey Peninsula Community College District to be an open-access institution that fosters student learning achievement within its diverse community; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Community College District is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and access to all institutional programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Community College District strives to provide a welcoming and safe environment for all of our students; and

WHEREAS, uncertainty has arisen regarding potential changes to immigration policies that may negatively impact undocumented members of our campus; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges are open to all students who meet the minimum requirements for admission, regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, financial aid for certain undocumented students is protected by California state law; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has issued a statement of values and commitment to undocumented students to provide guidance to Districts regarding providing support to these students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District security officers shall not question any individual solely on the basis of (suspected) undocumented status; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District shall not cooperate with any federal effort to create a registry of individuals based on any protected characteristics such as religion, national origin, race, or sexual orientation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District shall not release confidential student records, including information related to immigration status, without a judicial warrant, subpoena or court order, unless authorized by the student.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Monterey Peninsula Community College District this 14th day of December 2016, by the following vote:

Ayes: Charles Brown, Margaret-Anne Coppernoll, Marilynn Dunn Gustafson, Rick Johnson, Loren Steck

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

Rick Johnson, Chair, Governing Board

Dr. Walter Tribley, Secretary

Dr. Loren Steck, Vice Chair

Charles Brown, Trustee

Margaret - Anne Coppernoll, Trustee

Marilynn Dunn Gustafson, Trustee