

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04 VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF BERNARDO M. PEREZ'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

**WHEREAS**, Bernardo M. Perez, representing Area 4, joined the Board of Trustees in 2010 and has served as Chair and Vice Chair of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez has previously represented his community by serving on the Moorpark City Council and as Moorpark City Mayor and in positions with the Ventura County Civic Alliance, Clinicas del Camino Real, United Way of Ventura County, Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation, El Concilio del Condado de Ventura, Children's Health Initiative Steering Committee, HOME Housing Task Force, Justice and Peace Commission, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Ventura County Living Wage Coalition (Co-Chair), and the 2010 Ventura County Housing Conference Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez has served on and led the Administrative Services Committee; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez has served on the Community College League of California Advisory Committee on Legislation and Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez helped secure a half million-dollar grant from the State Chancellor's Office to provide mental health services for our 32,000 students and build stronger partnerships with county behavioral health departments and community-based organizations to support and provide direct mental health services as well as offer stigma reduction training for faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez champions policies and programs that create a skilled and trained workforce for high demand jobs that pay a living wage and has overseen the implementation of a technical career education training program that places students in local well-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez has worked to foster the strengthening relationships with District bargaining units and strives to develop an environment of equity and respect among Trustees, District employees, and students; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez supported the process of purchasing the District Administrative Center building, shifting the District from being renters to the stability of ownership; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez engages with and encourages Ventura County students both in the Boardroom and the classroom, having assisted Moorpark Unified School District as a classroom volunteer/reader and diligently attending college events as a trustee; and

WHEREAS, Bernardo M. Perez believes in supporting the youth in our community as ensuring their futures and success through education also ensures the success of the broader community as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, Bernardo M. Perez was honored at the January meeting of the Ventura County School Boards Association with a Certificate of Meritorious Public Service.

**NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of the Ventura County Community College District hereby honors Bernardo M. Perez for his twelve years of distinguished service rendered to public education in Ventura County schools.

Adopted this 11th day of April 2023.	2 de
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