



RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services

WHEREAS, the year 2019 marks the fiftieth anniversary of Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS), and in recognition of this historic milestone, EOPS is deserving of special public honors and commendations for its ongoing commitment to meeting the needs of diverse student populations and providing high-quality education to the next generation of leaders; and

WHEREAS, established by the passage of California Senate Bill no. 164 in 1969, EOPS was created with the primary mission to encourage the enrollment, retention, and transfer of students affected by language, social, economic, and educational barriers and to facilitate the successful completion of their goals and objectives in higher education, and today, EOPS has distinction in California as a long-standing social justice, educational rights, human rights, and equity program; and

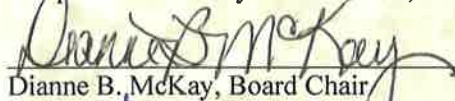
WHEREAS, from its inception, EOPS has provided dynamic and innovative services in early outreach programs serving hundreds of thousands of potential EOPS applicants and summer bridge learning communities, as well as community building efforts that retain students who impact the larger campus communities, and over the years, EOPS has successfully developed local partnerships among community-based organizations, public agencies, legislative institutions, universities, and K-12 public school systems, and

WHEREAS, in 1982, EOPS added the Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) Program to expand services for welfare-dependent, single-parent EOPS students, and since that time, the services offered by CARE have brought hope, vision, guidance, and activism to underserved communities, heightened the awareness of educational pathways and sociocultural opportunities, and invested in developing the leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, after 50 years, EOPS continues to serve as a model in meeting the student equity gap in education within the California Community Colleges system, and its decades-long commitment to serving California's economically and educationally disadvantaged students is deserving of acknowledgment and praise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ventura County Community Collged District recognizes the fiftieth anniversary of Extended Opportunity Programs and Services and commends Moorpark, Oxnard and Ventura Colleges EOPS for the invaluable contributions made to the intellectual and social growth of California's students.

Adopted this 12th day of November, 2019.



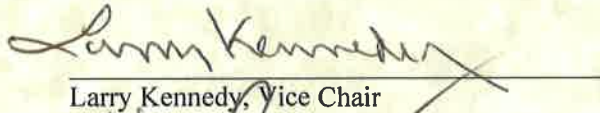
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