## VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



## **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-04**

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S AMERICA'S COLLEGE PROMISE PLAN

WHEREAS, President Obama has proposed that America's community colleges should be tuition-free for the first two years for students who meet certain academic progress criteria; and

WHEREAS, a high school diploma is no longer sufficient to ensure that America's workforce is truly competitive; and

WHEREAS, it is increasingly the case that middle-income earners are negatively affected by the ever increasing tuition fees at all colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, a community college education has been shown to significantly increase the earning capacity of Americans; and

WHEREAS, by 2020, an estimated 35 percent of job openings will require at least a bachelor's degree and 30 percent will require some college or an associate's degree; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees supports President Obama's America's College Promise Plan.

Adopted April 14, 2015:

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