VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



Resolution In Support Of Schools and Local Public Safety and Protection Act of 2012

WHEREAS, leaders of the Restoring California coalition reached agreement with Governor Brown and state legislators to unite behind a progressive consensus tax initiative, the "Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012"; and

WHEREAS, this initiative will protect Proposition 98, guaranteeing 11 percent of its education funding to community colleges, while reducing the state's budget; and

WHEREAS, California's Legislature has been unable to adequately fund public education, over \$20 billion has been slashed from the statewide public education budget in the past three budget years, and more cuts are scheduled to come; and

WHEREAS, the funding cuts have forced Ventura County Community College District to reduce course offerings for students, increase class sizes, and reduce services, resulting in a loss of access for students to the education they need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, Ventura County Community College District has been forced to eliminate and reduce employee positions that support student programs and services; and

WHEREAS, additional budget cuts will require Ventura County Community College District to further negatively impact students in pursuit of their educational goals and personnel who support student programs and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Ventura County Community College District will work with interested parties in their community and around the state to advocate on behalf of "Schools and Local Public Safety and Protection Act of 2012" to help alleviate state budgetary problems that negatively impact students and personnel in the delivery of quality education in our District.

Adopted May 8, 2012:

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