## **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02**

## PRESERVING LIFELONG LEARNING, SELF-DEVELOPMENT, AND KINESIOLOGY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT STUDENTS

**WHEREAS,** with 1.8 million students attending 116 colleges, California Community Colleges serve a specific and important role in the California Educational Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** fifty one percent of CSU graduates and twenty nine percent of UC graduates started at a community college, and

**WHEREAS,** AB 928: Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act of 2021 appropriately seeks to streamline transfer for community college students to a four-year university, establishing an Intersegmental Implementation Committee to facilitate coordination for the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) and focus on improving student transfer outcomes; and

WHEREAS, California Community Colleges were not properly consulted in the development of AB 928; and,

**WHEREAS**, the courses offered in lifelong learning, self-development, and kinesiology support the Vision for Success and Guided Pathways initiatives; and

**WHEREAS,** elimination of such programs simply to create one "primary transfer pattern" will have a disproportionally negative impact on tens of thousands of students of color; and,

WHEREAS, the Ventura County Community College District and its colleges—Moorpark College, Oxnard College and Ventura College—employ a significant number of staff and faculty to support lifelong learning, self-development, and kinesiology courses; and,

**WHEREAS,** AB 1725 provides primacy over community college curriculum to Ventura County Community College District faculty, rather than to administrators or external systems of higher education.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees requests that the Academic Senate California Community Colleges (ASCCC) continue to advocate to the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates (ICAS) to preserve lifelong learning, self-development, and kinesiology opportunities for VCCCD students and all California Community College students; and

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Ventura County Community College District works with the Academic Senate California Community Colleges (ASCCC) and other system partners to develop a plan that would not eliminate lifelong learning, self-development, and kinesiology; and,

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees requests that the chancellor of California Community Colleges advocate with the University of California and California State University system leaders to preserve lifelong learning, self-development, and kinesiology for California Community College students.

<b>PASSED AND ADOPTED</b> as VCCCD Board Resolution No. 2023-02 this fourteenth day of March, 2023, by the following called vote:		
YES:	NO:	ABSENT: