



## ACTION ITEM

### AMENDED 12/15/2016

**DATE:** December 15, 2016

**SUBJECT:** City College of San Francisco joins the City and County of San Francisco in affirming its sanctuary status for all people of San Francisco.

**ITEM NO:** 161215-IX-346

**WHEREAS:** in 2012 President Obama issued an Executive Order providing deportation relief to certain undocumented immigrants who entered the U.S. before their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients; and

**WHEREAS:** California has the largest population of immigrants, both documented and undocumented, where one in ten workers is an undocumented immigrant, and immigrants are a vibrant, productive, and vital part of the state's growing economy, holding jobs in key industries such as agriculture, science, technology, service, health care, and manufacturing; and

**WHEREAS:** California is home to one-third of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients; and

**WHEREAS:** the Pew Research Center estimates that there are between 200,000 and 225,000 undocumented immigrants enrolled in college; and

**WHEREAS:** the California Community College system comprises open-access institutions and welcomes everyone who enters its doors; and

**WHEREAS:** under AB 540 (Chapter 814, Statutes of 2001), undocumented students in California can seek an exemption from paying nonresident tuition if they attend a California high school for three or more years, graduate from a California high school, and file an affidavit with a college or university stating that they will apply for legal residency as soon as possible; and

**WHEREAS,** DACA has decreased the anxiety and fear that many undocumented students experience living in the shadows; and

**WHEREAS:** DACA has enabled many community college graduates to obtain better employment, pursue higher education, and provide greater economic security for their families; and

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**WHEREAS:** the Center for American Progress estimates that deferred action programs like DACA have the potential to increase California's state GDP by \$75.8 billion, beneficiary wage earnings by \$32.8 billion, and jobs by 9500 over 10 years.

**WHEREAS:** a recent study by the University of California, San Diego, the National Immigration Law Center, the Center for American Progress, and United We Dream found that the DACA has increased wages for recipients by 42 percent, enabling recipients to purchase cars and even homes and strengthening the local economy; and

**WHEREAS:** the future of DACA is uncertain as President-elect Trump has pledged to "cancel every unconstitutional executive action, memorandum, and order issued by President Obama" in his first 100 days in office.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** that the City College of San Francisco (CCSF) joins the City and County of San Francisco in affirming its sanctuary status for all people of San Francisco.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that City College of San Francisco stands in strong support of DACA and other programs that support undocumented students. CCSF pledges to fight for an extension of DACA and against any attempts to roll it back. CCSF further pledges to advocate proactively at the local, state, and federal levels to extend every possible measure of legal, social, and political protection to our vulnerable immigrant students and their families.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that City College of San Francisco joins other colleges and universities around the country as a sanctuary campus, which include the following policies:**

- **Not allowing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers onto campus without a warrant**
- **The refusal of campus police to enforce immigration law**
- **Not sharing student immigration status with ICE**
- **Not gathering information on immigration or citizenship status**
- **Providing tuition support, including in-state tuition rates at public universities to students with DACA status**
- **Providing distance-learning options for departed students to complete their degrees**
- **Providing confidential legal support to students with immigration law questions and issues**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that CCSF will work to assure that all students feel welcome and safe on our campuses, regardless of immigration status.

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