RESOLUTION FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO ADOPT A POSITION IN FAVOR OF EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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WHEREAS, the Student Trustee is elected by the student body with the specific goal of representing the voice of students in their district and is granted an advisory vote to bring student issues to the Board of Trustees and

WHEREAS, California Higher Education Code 72023.5 specifically prohibits a Student Trustee vote from ever counting toward the tally or in any way affecting the vote of the Board of Trustees and

WHEREAS, the Student Senate of California Community Colleges passed a Resolution at its 2019 Spring General Assembly in favor of a full vote for Student Trustees and

WHEREAS, the right of a Student Trustee to have a full vote has been cleared by the California Legislative Counsel’s Office as not violating any State or Federal voting law and

WHEREAS, the California State University Board of Trustees gives both of their student trustees full votes and the University of California Student Regent receives a full vote and

WHEREAS, the California Code of Regulations 51023.7 requires that, “The governing board of a community college district shall adopt policies and procedures that provide students the opportunity to participate effectively in district and college governance.” and

WHEREAS, the San Bernardino Community College District Board of Trustees has, on more than one occasion, said that student trustees are the most effective tool in advocating for Community College needs and

WHEREAS, a student trustee cannot adequately advocate for students without being able to vote in those student’s favor.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED ON FEBRUARY 14, 2020 THAT THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE URGE THE SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO ADOPT A POSITION IN FAVOR OF A FULL STUDENT TRUSTEE VOTE

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College urge the San Bernardino Community College Board of Trustees to adopt full student trustee enfranchisement as a legislative priority.

RESOLVED, the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College urge the San Bernardino Community College District to commit to extending a full vote to their student trustees if and/or when the option becomes viable under state law.