

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**RESOLUTION AFFIRMING OUR COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS FOR
AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS**

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the African American Student Success Virtual Townhall was sponsored with over 1,000 California community college practitioners, policymakers, and

WHEREAS, most Black community college students are adult learners who work full-time while attending college part-time, have family commitments/responsibilities, and struggle with basic needs insecurities. The students who need the most get the least financial support; and

WHEREAS, California Community Colleges receive the least amount of per-student funding in comparison to the state's other public educational sectors, University of California: \$33,569;

~~San Francisco State University: \$10,445; California State University: \$9,206; UC: \$12,019~~
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WHEREAS, nearly two-thirds of Black high school graduates are not eligible to apply for admission to the CSU or UC systems^{iv}; and

WHEREAS, 35 percent of Black high school graduates completed the A-G course requirements compared to 52 percent of White high school graduates; and

WHEREAS, 27 percent of Black families live below the poverty line (less than \$24,399 per year) compared to 16 percent for all California families. 48 percent of Black families earn less than \$48,678 per year compared to 36 percent for all California families^v; and

WHEREAS, the ratio of Black students to tenured Black professors is 1:131 in California Community Colleges (CCC), 1:46 in the CSU, and 1:32 in the UC. Comparatively, the ratios for White students are 1:4 in the CCC, 1:16 in the CSU, and 1:8 in the UC^{vi}; and

organizations, to provide race-conscious decision-making in support of Black community college students as they complete their academic programs and as Black students transition to a four-year college or university, or employment; and

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