Support for Physical Education

Whereas, the California State Legislature, the Governor’s Legislative Affairs Office and the Community College League of California have, over the past few years, given clear signals of their desire to reduce funding for many Art, Dance, and Physical Education courses;

Whereas, this lack of support, particularly the current threats to physical education, from the top levels of state government and the California Community Colleges creates challenges for local districts to commit resources in this area;

Whereas, Santa Monica College offers for-credit physical education courses that support students in their plans to pursue majors and transfer to 4-year universities;

Whereas, physical education is a component of education that contributes to student success and creates a balanced, healthy, self-confident and self-disciplined student body;

Be it resolved, the Santa Monica College Academic Senate, expresses its support for students, faculty and staff in those areas; and

Be it further resolved, the Santa Monica College Academic Senate will support the Kinesiology program in its efforts to develop new offerings and opportunities that enhance its viability in the context of budgetary and political challenges.

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