

## COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS ACADEMIC SENATE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STABLE INTERIM LEADERSHIP

*Whereas*, in July of 2024, the Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District (District) appointed David C. Andrus to serve as its Interim Superintendent/President, and

*Whereas*, to restore trust in District leadership by stakeholders and the community at large, David C. Andrus, as Interim Superintendent/President, has made increased transparency and inclusive decision-making the focus of his leadership, and

*Whereas*, David C. Andrus, in his first month as Interim Superintendent/President, convened stakeholder-leaders to re-design District governance to prioritize representation and transparency in service to the District's mission, and

*Whereas*, David C. Andrus has created a culture of transparency and open access to the office of the Superintendent/President and worked to improve access and inclusion throughout the District, including but not limited to open forums during Opening Day, and

*Whereas*, the Association of Community College Trustees evaluated David C. Andrus's performance as Interim Superintendent/President in June of 2025, during which District stakeholders (executive cabinet, faculty and classified leadership) consistently rated his performance at or above a 4.0 on a 5-point scale (5 being highest), and

Whereas, David C. Andrus's brief leadership has already built trust that our leaders and their decisions are putting the college and our students' interests first, and

*Whereas*, the District's governing board recently retained an independent consulting firm to conduct a nationwide search for a permanent Superintendent/President, and

Whereas, stability in leadership is necessary for the myriad of processes employees need to complete on a daily basis;

**Resolved**, that the Academic Senate of College of the Canyons wholeheartedly endorses the rapid progress made under the leadership of David C. Andrus toward improving open and transparent decision-making by District leaders, and

**Resolved**, that the Academic Senate of College of the Canyons condemns any action taken by the Board of Trustees to disrupt David C. Andrus's remaining period of service as Interim Superintendent/President pending the installation of a permanent Superintendent/President.

Adopted, by the Academic Senate on September 9, 2025