

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION HONORING ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE CALIFORNIA

Whereas, Allan Hancock College has served as a critical contributor of accessible higher education to the community since its establishment as Santa Maria Junior College in 1920; and,

Whereas, Allan Hancock College has dedicated itself to opening doors to students from Northern Santa Barbara County and beyond who otherwise might not have the opportunity to attend college; and,

Whereas, Allan Hancock College is committed to providing equitable access to programs, activities, services, and employment opportunities to all without regard to national origin, ethnicity, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion; and,

Whereas, Allan Hancock College established the Hancock Promise program in 2018, ensuring every high school graduate in the district receives their first year of college tuition-free, regardless of background; and,

Whereas, since its inaugural cohort in 2018, the Hancock Promise has served more than 4,000 students who will join the ranks of Hancock alumni who have launched successful careers, become valuable community leaders, and embodied the college's slogan of "Start here. Go anywhere." and,

Whereas, on May 22, 2021, Allan Hancock College will celebrate 100 years of serving the community and its significance for individuals and families, local business, and regional industries that rely on the quality and affordable education that has been offered since 1920:

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors does hereby offer congratulations to Allan Hancock College – the premier college of Northern Santa Barbara County – for 100 years of dedication to providing quality higher education and commitment to 'changing the odds' for students in our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021, by unanimous vote of all members present.

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Supervisor - 5th District