RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Resolution No. 20 RECOGNIZING JUNE AS PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) is committed to fostering an inclusive, safe, and welcoming environment for all students, staff, and community members; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month is celebrated annually in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan, which was a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States; and

WHEREAS, SBCC recognizes the importance of the LGBTQ+ community and its significant impact in our local community, in the nation, and around the world; and

WHEREAS, SBCC raised for the first time the PRIDE Progressive Flag on campus in April, 2024, and had a month full of GAYpril events put on by the SBCC PRIDE Program. It is imperative that SBCC supports visibility, dignity, and equality for all LGBTQ+ people in our academic and local community. And locally we are grateful to organizations like SBCC Pride Program, Pacific Pride Foundation, Santa Barbara Transgender Advocacy Network (SBTAN), PFLAG Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, many advances have been made with respect to equitable treatment of LGBTQ+ people, and it is important to acknowledge that the fight for justice and equality continues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Santa Barbara Community College District hereby proclaims June as PRIDE Month at Santa Barbara City College and encourages all educational departments and community members to celebrate this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities that honor the history, struggles, and triumphs of LGBTQ+ individuals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be distributed to all college departments and be made available to the press and public to enhance community awareness and participation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT this 23rd day of May, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

Aye: _6
No:
Abstain:
Absent: 1
Concur: 1

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Jonathan Abboud, President Santa Barbara Community College District Board of Trustees

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Superintendent/President and Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Trustees