

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-12**

**BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
SAN MATEO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ELIMINATION OF THE DEFERRED ACTION FOR  
CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA) PROGRAM AND CALLING FOR FEDERAL  
LEGISLATION TO PROTECT DACA STUDENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program was established, with the explicit approval and at the direction of the President of the United States, by directive of the Secretary of Homeland Security in 2012 and amended in 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the DACA program provides an estimated 800,000 undocumented students across the nation to attain their education and furthers their ability to make better, more productive lives for themselves and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these students, commonly known as “Dreamers”, attend the colleges of the San Mateo County Community College District and are valued members of the campus communities; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 5, 2017, the Trump administration announced the elimination of the DACA program, which will needlessly harm students in our community and across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, DACA students will suffer greatly for actions that were no fault of their own and will be forced to endure fear, intimidation and uncertainty in their safety – and that of their families – because of the elimination of this important program;

**WHEREAS**, the San Mateo County Community College District Board of Trustees articulated, through Resolution 17-1, its commitment to protecting undocumented students and the privacy of all students;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the San Mateo County Community College District Board of Trustees hereby strongly objects to the elimination of the DACA program and believes that its elimination is callous, harmful and undermines the fundamental reality that our nation was formed by immigrants; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees assures all students, regardless of their immigration status, that they are welcome in the Colleges of the San Mateo County Community College District and are valued members of the SMCCCD community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees hereby urges the United States Congress to take immediate action to codify in law the DACA program that protects the thousands of “Dreamers” across the nation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, in addition to the directives issued in Resolution 17-1, the Board of Trustees hereby directs the District’s Chancellor to:

1. Allow for the continuance of California residents who are Dreamers to pay in-state tuition as prescribed by AB 540; and

2. Make a variety of academic and student support resources available to Dreamers to ensure they persist and succeed as an SMCCCD student; and
3. Actively and aggressively advocate for federal legislation to provide a permanent solution for Dreamer students with the District's Congressional delegation.

**REGULARLY passed and adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.**

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstentions:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Holober, Vice President-Clerk  
Board of Trustees