April 28, 2025

## Board of Trustees Resolution

## Recognizing April 2025 as Community College Awareness Month

Whereas, South Orange County Community College District (SOCCD), is one of the largest community college districts in the region, serving approximately 60,000 students on three campuses — Saddleback College, Irvine Valley College, and the Advanced Technology & Education Park (ATEP); and

Whereas, SOCCCD is a leader in higher education and enriches lives in Orange County through learning; and

Whereas, SOCCCD's 382 square mile service area serves nearly one million residents; and

Whereas, SOCCCD is a community partner through the offering of classes at 130 community sites, beyond the three campuses; and

Whereas, SOCCCD provides outstanding education through more than 400 degree and certificate programs that prepare students to fill local and high-skilled workforce opportunities; and

Whereas, SOCCCD is proud of the 50 plus years in Orange County and commitment from faculty and staff to students; and

Whereas, based on a study conducted by Light Cast, SOCCCD contributes \$7.1 billion back into the Orange County economy; and



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Whereas, SOCCCD celebrates its successes and many accomplishments in April — Community College Awareness Month; now, therefore

*Be it resolved,* that the Board of Trustees and Chancellor of the South Orange County Community College District hereby proclaims April as Community College Awareness Month and requests that all students, faculty, and staff celebrate by promoting the good works of the colleges.

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