



April 27, 2026

Board of Trustees Resolution

Recognizing March 31st as Farmworkers Day

Whereas, the State of California recognizes March 31 as Farmworkers Day, honoring the essential contributions of farmworkers who sustain the nation's food supply and agricultural economy; and

Whereas, farmworkers play a vital role in ensuring that communities across California and the United States have access to fresh, nutritious food, often working under physically demanding and challenging conditions; and

Whereas, Farmworkers Day provides an opportunity to acknowledge the dignity of labor and the importance of fair working conditions, safe environments, and equitable treatment for all workers in the agricultural sector; and

Whereas, the South Orange County Community College District (SOCCCD) is committed to advancing equity, access, and opportunity for all members of the communities it serves, including students and families connected to California's agricultural workforce; and

Whereas, SOCCCD recognizes the importance of education as a pathway to economic mobility and is dedicated to supporting students from diverse backgrounds, including those whose lives and livelihoods are shaped by agricultural work; and

Whereas, this observance serves as a moment to reflect on the ongoing contributions of farmworkers and to reaffirm a shared commitment to workforce development, social responsibility, and community well-being; now, therefore,

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Be It Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the South Orange County Community College District hereby recognizes March 31 as Farmworkers Day in California and honors the enduring contributions of farmworkers to our state and nation; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board affirms its support for policies and practices that uphold the dignity of labor, promote safe and equitable working conditions, and expand educational and economic opportunities for all. SOCCCD encourages its colleges, employees, and students to recognize this day through reflection, education, and continued commitment to the values of equity, inclusion, and respect for all workers.

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