A RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT ON THE 2024 MAIN CAMPUS MASTER PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, a Notice of Preparation ("NOP") of an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") on the 2025 Main Campus Master Plan Update ("Project") was issued on January 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the EIR was prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of the Project and to identify, where feasible, ways to avoid, reduce or mitigate such impacts; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Availability of the Draft EIR was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on July 24, 2025, and a Notice of Completion was mailed to all NOP commenters, as well as other interested agencies, organizations and individuals; and both the Notice of Completion and Draft EIR were filed with the State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2025010279) and were posted on the Internet and made available at the Office of the Superintendent/President at 2714 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90405 on July 24, 2025, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State and Santa Monica College CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Draft EIR was available for public review and comment for a 45-day period; and

WHEREAS, the Final EIR, including comments received and responses thereto, has been completed and was made available to the public at the Office of the Superintendent/
President at 2714 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90405 and via the Internet on October 9, 2025 and was filed with the State Clearinghouse on that same date; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Final EIR was provided to all public agencies that submitted comments on the Draft EIR at least 10 days prior to certifying the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2025, the Santa Monica College 2024 Main Campus Master Plan Update, which is available to the public on the Internet and in the office of the College's Superintendent/President, is being considered by the Board of Trustees for adoption and the EIR must be certified prior to the contemplated adoption of the 2024 Main Campus Master Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, acting in its capacity as the Lead Agency pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15051(a), reviewed and considered the contents of the Final EIR in its decision-making process on November 4, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Board of Trustees has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR on the 2024 Main Campus Master Plan Update prior to acting on the Project.

SECTION 2. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that the Final EIR for the Project was presented to the Board of Trustees, that the Final EIR for the project was completed in full compliance with CEQA and the State and College CEQA Guidelines, that there was adequate opportunity for public review of the Draft EIR, that the Board of Trustees has considered all comments on the Draft EIR and responses to comments, that the Final EIR adequately discusses all significant environmental issues of the Project, that the Final EIR reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the College, and that the Board of Trustees has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR in its decision-making process prior to approving the Project.