



Board of Trustees

Los Angeles Community College District

ACTION

Com. No. **BT2**

Division: **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: October 4, 2017

Subject: **RESOLUTION – TO HONOR LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that the members of the Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees recognize the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Los Angeles Southwest College, which serves south Los Angeles, Inglewood, Gardena, Hawthorne, and more; and

WHEREAS, In 1947, Odessa Cox and a small group of community members started fighting to bring a comprehensive community college to South Los Angeles; and saw their dream become a reality at 3:30 a.m. July 11, 1967, when the first of 13 bungalows were delivered to the campus at Imperial Highway and Western Avenue; and

WHEREAS, On Sept. 11, 1967, classes started with more than 600 students registered and 22 full-time faculty members; and

WHEREAS, Since its opening, LASC has established itself as a key force in the educational and cultural development for the region; and

WHEREAS, LASC currently offers dozens of associate degree programs, vocational education certificates, transfer curriculum in a wide range of disciplines, as well as online, community services, adult education, English as a second language and citizenship classes; and

Chancellor and
Secretary of the Board of Trustees

By *[Signature]* Date 10/4/17

Buelna <u>SV</u>	Moreno <u>ABSENT</u>
Fong <u>✓</u>	Svonkin <u>ML</u>
Hoffman <u>✓</u>	Veres <u>✓</u>
Kamlager <u>✓</u>	Martinez <u>AYE</u> Student Trustee Advisory Vote

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WHEREAS, As LASC celebrates its 50th year, it has award-winning programs, state-of-the-art facilities, educational partnerships at the middle and high school as well as postsecondary levels, and dedicated faculty and staff to serve their great community with an educational experience that best prepares them for the ever-evolving 21st Century workforce; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Southwest College will celebrate a half-century of service to South Los Angeles and this State on September 30, 2017, at an anniversary gala; and

WHEREAS, It is most appropriate that this Board of Trustees recognize the institution on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT
RESOLVED That the Board of Trustees of Los Angeles Community College District honor and commend Los Angeles Southwest College on the celebration of fifty years of dedicated service to the State of California and its continuing commitment to excellence in higher education.