



Subject: **RESOLUTION — STUDENTS SUPPORT LOS ANGELES METRO EFFORTS TO CREATE A COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT TRANSIT PASS PILOT PROGRAM**

The following resolution is presented by Student Trustee Milo Anderson:

- WHEREAS, According to the most recent Student Survey of Los Angeles Community College District campuses (fall 2014): 83.6% of students report that “low cost” was important or very important in their decision to enroll in college, 58.5% report that “availability of public transportation” was important or very important in their decision to enroll, and that 54.7% report “financial factors” are a moderate or major problem in reaching their academic goals; and
- WHEREAS, On May 9, 2014 The Student Affairs Committee of the Los Angeles Community College District passed a resolution supporting budget and legislative proposals that employ Cap-and-Trade Program auction proceeds to expand funding for transit services broadly and to fund student transit pass programs in particular that will reduce GHG and criteria emissions; enhance overall mobility; enhance clean, affordable, reliable access to higher education, including reducing the cost of transportation for community college students; and provide reliable access to vocational training and job placement; and
- WHEREAS, On September 18, 2015 The Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors unanimously passed Motion 49.1 presented by Chairperson Mark Ridley-Thomas directing the Chief Executive Officer to provide an assessment of the feasibility of piloting a Universal Community College Student Transit Pass Program; and
- WHEREAS, The subsequent feasibility report received and filed at the MTA Executive Management Committee on November 19, 2015, **Community College Student Transit Pass Pilot Program in response to Motion 49.1**, indicated several necessary steps to ensure the Universal Student Transit Pass Program is designed well, meets the needs of the agency and the colleges, and is marketable and sustainable; and

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Student Affairs Committee

Los Angeles Community College District

ACTION

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- WHEREAS, Several of those next steps necessitate community college student input, involvement, and perhaps even student body referendum(s). Those steps include: convening a comprehensive working group, identifying pilot campuses to determine how many and which colleges may participate in the pilot program, determining if the pilot will include only the full-time students or also part-time students, and evaluating if funding sources for the Universal Student Transit Pass Pilot Program and thereafter need to be secured through Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee as well as other funding sources, or if colleges can sustain funding through student fees, parking fees, referendums, etc.; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Student Affairs Committee of the Los Angeles Community College District hereby expresses interest and support in the development of a Los Angeles Community College Student Transit Pass Pilot Program, and requests to participate in the Los Angeles MTA working group on the matter; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Delegates of the Student Affairs Committee of the Los Angeles Community College District will hereby present to their Associated Students Organization/Union/Government a corresponding resolution in order to determine the level of student interest and feasibility of each of the nine LACCD campuses to participate in a Community College Student Transit Pass Pilot Program.