SISKIYOU JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2021-12 COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

- **WHEREAS**, California Community Colleges (CCC) represent and serve one of the most diverse populations in the world in terms of race, ethnicity, language, culture, nationality, socio economic class, age, physical ability, sexual orientation, and religious beliefs; and
- **WHEREAS**, College of the Siskiyous is an open-access California Community College and offers an accessible path to a better life and upward mobility; and
- **WHEREAS**, College of the Siskiyous, as part of the California Community Colleges, serves diverse in-state and out-of-state student populations; and
- **WHEREAS**, College of the Siskiyous has the capacity to attract racially and ethnically diverse students; and
- **WHEREAS**, the *Vision for Success*, which applies to all California Community Colleges, directs colleges to integrate equity to increase student success to eliminate equity gaps by 2026/27; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges adoption of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Integration Plan inspires College of the Siskiyous to celebrate diversity by publicizing DEI accomplishments; and
- **WHEREAS**, College of the Siskiyous has been supporting the California Community College Chancellor's Office call for action to strategize against structural racism and racial inequities; and
- **WHEREAS**, April is nationally recognized as Community College Month, which serves as an opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of community college students, faculty, classified staff, and administrators; and
- **WHEREAS**, College of the Siskiyous' students, faculty, staff, and administrators must work together to gain a deeper understanding of the lived experiences of people of color in order to create a more inclusive working and learning environment;
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Siskiyou Joint Community College District declares April 2021 and every year thereafter in April as Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Awareness Month; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that College of the Siskiyous will provide DEI training opportunities throughout the academic year that initiates campus-wide dialogue to nurture a collective understanding and appreciation of the College's students, faculty, classified staff, and administrators; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that College of the Siskiyous commits to celebrating its racial and ethnic diversity among students, faculty, classified staff, and administrators and to honoring their tireless contributions to advancing diversity, equity, inclusion and antiracism work that results in student success.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Siskiyou Joint Community College District held on April 20, 2021.

AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSENT: Dalton

ABSTENTION: 0

By: Barry Ollund

President, Board of Trustees Siskiyou Joint Community College District

ATTEST:

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Acting Superintendent/President
Siskiyou Joint Community College District