District Academic Senate Resolution Against the 73rd Community College District Calbright Locating a Center in Downtown Oakland and Duplicating Curriculum with Peralta Community College District

WHEREAS, the Peralta District Academic Senate (DAS) questions the State Chancellor and the Board of Governors in their implementation of the legislature's approval of a fully online community College now named Calbright that is now the 73rd community college district. The legislation requires the college to have courses available by October 2019 fully online;

WHEREAS, it has been reported in the media that Calbright has opened a Downtown Oakland California "Center" to provide support for students and have offices for the Calbright administration;

WHEREAS, the 2018 state budget act creating Calbright forbade the college from duplicating the efforts of the existing 72 districts. The first 3 fields of study for inclusion within Calbright College curriculum—medical coding, business information technology, and cybersercurity-currently exist as both physical and fully online programs in Peralta Community College District (PCCD);

WHEREAS, the Peralta District Academic Senate questions the location of the 73rd community college district within the boundaries of the Peralta Community College District whose boundaries have been set since 1964. In Education Code and Title 5 there are clear definitions of California Community College "centers" and whether another district can have a college center within another community college district's boundaries;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Peralta District Academic Senate questions the California Community College State Chancellor and Board of Governors for placing a Calbright College Center in Oakland and proposes teaching courses that are already taught both online and physically in the Peralta Community College District;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Chancellor and the Board of Governors respond in writing to the Peralta District Academic Senate no later than October 1, 2019 and to copy their response to the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCC), Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees and the Peralta Community College District Chancellor.

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