



## Resolution Honoring the Life and Work of David Powell

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WHEREAS David, following his retirement from a successful career in the tech industry, volunteered as a tutor in the college's Learning Resources Center and was soon discovered to have advanced degrees in applied math and data science to qualify to teach mathematics at Berkeley City College, and

WHEREAS David joined BCC's Math Department as an adjunct professor in Fall 2017 where he happily taught courses at any level, participated in the development of support classes for our Math 13 Statistics course, and engaged in many professional development activities and communities of practice, and

WHEREAS David became a champion of BCC's dual enrollment math courses at the Oakland School of the Arts and Berkeley High School, while still teaching UC extension courses in artificial intelligence at Cal, and

WHEREAS David's generosity and his infectious joy of sharing the depth of his academic and career experience touched many people in our community, and

WHEREAS his warmth and genuine interest in what anyone had to say made many of his colleagues happy, eased tensions just upon smiling and saying hello, and in general put most in a good mood, and

WHEREAS David held a BA and MS in Applied Mathematics from UC Berkeley and was working on a Master of Public Health at UCB with a focus on Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the time of his passing, and

WHEREAS David embodied the quintessential life-long learner; who engaged in an array of studies with boundless curiosity and *joie d'apprendre*; who despite his broad academic and professional accomplishments still approached his intellectual pursuits with openness and humility; he possessed the soul of a true scholar, and

WHEREAS DANG, we at BCC have lost a lot in future contributions from this man,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley City College Academic Senate honors David Powell for his years of service to the college and surrounding community, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley City College Academic Senate pays tribute to his lasting legacy as an excellent professor, mentor, friend, and one of us.

Approved by Acclamation

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