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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LABOR AND COMMUNITY STUDIES DEPARTMENT OF CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO

Whereas, the Labor and Community Studies department of City College of San Francisco advances the cause of organized labor through education and training; and

Whereas, the department is an important resource to the Bay Area and Northern California labor movements; and

Whereas, the department worked diligently on behalf of the college, AFT 2121, the Department Chairpersons Council, the Diversity Collaborative and the students during the accreditation and downsizing crises of recent years; and

Whereas, the department suffered deep funding cuts during the crises that damaged its ability to adequately serve local unions and their community allies and

Whereas, the college administration appointed supervisors to oversee it who were hostile to the department and undercut its mission,

Therefore Be It Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council calls on the City College of San Francisco administration and Board of Trustees, as part of properly funding the college as a whole, to fully fund and properly supervise Labor and Community Studies; and

Be It Further Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council urges the administration to specifically restore full funding to the department's chair and clerical positions, its noncredit training budget and its Labor Chorus and California Labor History classes and to return the program to its office in Bayview-Hunters Point at the Evans Campus; and

Be It Finally Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council urges the college administration to appoint a dean to oversee the department acceptable to its Advisory Board.

Adopted by the Executive Committee of the San Francisco Labor Council on May 6, 2019 and affirmed by the Delegate Body of the San Francisco on May 13, 2019.

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