Resolution No. 4 (2025)

## RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## Resolution No. 4 RECOGNIZING APRIL AS PRIDE MONTH

**WHEREAS,** Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) is committed to fostering an inclusive, safe, and welcoming environment for all students, staff, and community members; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month is celebrated annually in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan, which was a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. SBCC celebrates Campus Pride Month or "GAYpril" in the month of April so that all students can participate and celebrate; and

**WHEREAS,** SBCC recognizes the importance of the LGBTQ+ community and its significant impact in our local community, in the nation, and around the world; and

WHEREAS, the SBCC PRIDE Program has planned PRIDE Flag Raising, QT Time, Rainbow Karaoke, Exploring Aspects of Intersectional Identities, Black, Brown, & Queer Solidarity Love-In Artist Talk & Open Mic, Resiliency Boxes events. It is imperative that SBCC supports visibility, dignity, and equality for all LGBTQ+ people in our academic and local community. And, locally we are grateful to organizations like SBCC Pride Program, Pacific Pride Foundation, Santa Barbara Transgender Advocacy Network (SBTAN), PFLAG Santa Barbara; and

**WHEREAS**, many advances have been made with respect to equitable treatment of LGBTQ+ people, and it is important to acknowledge that the fight for justice and equality continues.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of Santa Barbara Community College District hereby proclaims April as PRIDE Month at Santa Barbara City College and encourages all educational departments and community members to celebrate this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities that honor the history, struggles, and triumphs of LGBTQ+ individuals.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this resolution be distributed to all college departments and be made available to the press and public to enhance community awareness and participation.

The foregoing **RESOLUTION** was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Barbara Community College District at a meeting of the Board duly called and held on the 20th day of March, 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

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Aye: Trustees Abboud, Black-Maertz, Croninger, Gullap-Moore, Morris, Richards, and Stoddard No:

Abstain:

Absent:

Advisory: Student Trustee Tan

Jonathan Abboud, President Board of Trustees

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Erika Endrijonas, Ph.D. Superintendent/President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees