

# Associated Students of Cerritos College

## IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

04/27/2021

Deputy Director Amy Parker introduced the following Resolution,  
Senator Poblete seconded the following Resolution

### A RESOLUTION

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#### Supporting Anti-Doxxing Procedures at Cerritos College JR-2122-09

**Whereas:** “Doxxing”, alternatively spelt or referred to as “doxing”, is a term derived from the leaking and distribution of documents of a private individual which compromises their privacy, safety, and/or security for the purposes of malice, justice, or revenge; and

**Whereas:** Doxxing in both minor and major forms has become highly prevalent around the world, especially with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic causing individuals to leave a larger online footprint from which they can be traced; and

**Whereas:** While there have not been many major incidents of doxxing at Cerritos College, most go unreported as the data is shared onto dark-net or “troll” internet forums such as 4chan and 8channel, then often used by rogue actors to target people on the basis of protected categories such as sexual orientation, gender identity, political beliefs, and race; and

**Whereas:** Minor doxxing has also become common as a form of revenge due to the prevalence of social media usage, with private posts being publicly leaked by disgruntled parties to maliciously inflict damage upon an individual's public character and reputation; and

**Whereas:** Doxxing has become enough of a problem to attract academic attention, with a bombshell 2017 study revealing how significant of a problem it was even at that time with thousands of identifiable cases in just their limited scope<sup>[1]</sup>; and

**Whereas:** College students are especially affected by doxxing, with other studies showing that for marginalized students doxxing is common and prevalent<sup>[2]</sup>; and

**Whereas:** The student organizations of other educational institutions are already engaging in action to help protect students at their colleges from doxxing via resolutions and collaboration with school administrations, such as Stanford University’s Undergraduate Senate and Graduate Student Council<sup>[3]</sup>;

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College requests that all relevant departments at Cerritos College, particularly the Office of Student Conduct and Grievances, become aware of doxxing and form action plans to tackle it in all ways possible; and

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College requests that an education program be made to inform students about doxxing, the dangers which come from it, the penalties for engaging in it, and how to remain safe from doxxing via responsible online activity; and

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College requests that all departments actively work with the Associated Students and the general student body to understand the current status of doxxing over time and work to eliminate it in its entirety from the college and community.

[1] Snyder, P., Doerfler, P., Kanich, C., McCoy, D. (2017). *Fifteen Minutes of Unwanted Fame: Detecting and Characterizing Doxing*. Association of Computer Machinery. p. 432-444. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3131365.3131385>

[2] Gierdowski, D.C., Brooks, D.C., Galanek, J. (2020). *EDUCAUSE 2020 Student Technology Report: Supporting the Whole Student*. <https://www.educause.edu/ecar/research-publications/student-technology-report-supporting-the-whole-student/2020/online-harassment#98b56ae015e345fd876a1ddc13766a83>

[3] Santo, M., Schell, E. (2022). *The Anti-Doxxing Recommendations Act*. [The Anti-Doxxing Recommendations Act](#)

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## Amendment History

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### Final Senate Action

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**Date of final vote:** 4/27/2022

**Senator Cao moved to approve. Seconded by Senator Trevino. No objections.**

**Senators Voting Aye:**

**Senators Voting Nay:**

**Senators Abstaining:**

**Vote Count:** \_\_ Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

### Committee Referral

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**Referred to Committee? Yes/No**

**Committee Performing Review (if applicable):**

**Committee Chairperson:**

**Committee Action:** (Report complete disposition, amendments, committee vote, or date of final action.)

### Presidential Action

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**Presidential Action** (Approved or Veto): \_\_\_\_\_

**Presidential Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If vetoed, state reason:**