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## Cerritos College Reaffirms its Commitment to Diversity as a Safe Campus

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**NORWALK, Calif. – December 9, 2016 –** The Cerritos College Board of Trustees reaffirmed the College's mission statement to serve all diverse students and declared the school a Safe Campus at its regular meeting on December 7.

The resolution approved by the Board of Trustees declares the College a Safe Campus for all students regardless of their immigration status, and reaffirms its support of student-focused California and federal legislation that allows eligible children of undocumented immigrants to pursue higher education in the United States.

"We will continue to do all that is possible within the law to support our students, and we will continue to equally serve all of our students regardless of their immigration status, social economic background, religion, ethnicity, and sexual orientation " said President/Superintendent Dr. Jose Fierro.

"It is important for students to know that we are a safe place where we value diversity, decency, hard work and respect for all people, and no matter your background all students are welcome here."

About Cerritos College: Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at <a href="http://www.cerritos.edu/">http://www.cerritos.edu/</a>.

