

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
NORTH ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**



Resolution No. 19/20-17, Declaring a State of Emergency and Delegating Authority to the Chancellor to Act in Response to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Crisis

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California declared a State of Emergency due to the outbreak and spread of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the North Orange County Community College District implement measures to prepare for and respond to the potential further spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, under Education Code Section 70902(a)(1), a governing board of a community college district “may initiate and carry on any program, activity, or may otherwise act in any manner that is not in conflict with or inconsistent with, or preempted by, any law and that is not in conflict with the purposes for which community college districts are established”; and

WHEREAS, Education Code Section 70902(d) allows governing boards to delegate this authority, except when an authority is expressly non-delegable; and

WHEREAS, federal, state, and local public health authorities have determined thresholds for college closures based on evidence of exposure, potential spread, and confirmed cases of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board determines that the circumstances surrounding the outbreak and potential further spread of COVID-19 threatens the health, safety, and welfare of District students and employees, and accordingly, the Board hereby declares a State of Emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the North Orange County Community College District authorizes the Chancellor, for the duration of the state of emergency, in her discretion, to take any and all actions consistent with law and necessary to ensure the continuation of public education, and the health and safety of the students and District employees, including, but not limited to: ordering, as needed, the full or partial closure of District and campus centers, campuses, offices, and facilities; provision of alternative education program options as available; instituting alternative temporary work environments and/or schedules for fulltime employees for the duration of the State of Emergency; directing staff to serve as disaster service workers pursuant to Government Code 3100; and/or to make alterations, repairs, or improvement to campus property.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the North Orange County Community College District on March 20, 2020, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES: Ryan Bent, Stephen T. Blount, Jeffrey P. Brown, Barbara Dunsheath, Ed Lopez, and Jacqueline Rodarte

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINING: None

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Ryan Bent
Board President