

Board of Governors
California Community Colleges
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RESOLUTION

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SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Presentation: Lance Izumi, President, Board of Governors

Issue

This item presents a resolution to Dr. Tod A. Burnett, former Vice Chancellor of Strategic Planning and Communications.

RESOLUTION

Commending

Dr. Tod A. Burnett

- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett earned a Doctorate in Education at Pepperdine University, Master of Business Administration at the University of Southern California and Bachelor of Arts at the University of California, Riverside; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett has had a long and distinguished career in public service at the local, state and national levels; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett served as Vice Chancellor of Strategic Planning and Communications for the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and was a tireless advocate for the state's 2.9 million students and 110 community colleges; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett was instrumental in securing a \$50 million matching student scholarship program from the Bernard Osher Foundation, the single largest gift to any community college system in the nation; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett advised the Board of Governors and Chancellor of the California Community Colleges on statewide communications and public relations initiatives including the creation of a comprehensive feasibility study and strategic communications plan; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett led the first system-wide emergency planning and preparedness effort resulting in greater awareness and support for effective emergency management at all 110 community colleges; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett successfully developed an organizational structure and process for implementing the first system-wide strategic plan; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett was selected as the ninth President of Saddleback College located in Mission Viejo, California; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Tod A. Burnett is to be commended for his leadership, dedication, initiative, resourcefulness, persistence, enthusiasm, positivism and professionalism in furthering the mission of the California Community Colleges; *now, therefore, be it*
- Resolved,* that the members of the Board of Governors and the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges thank Dr. Tod A. Burnett for his service and his investment in California by helping prepare an educated workforce that's ready to take on the challenges of the changing economy and warmly wish him continued success with all of his future personal, professional, civic and educational endeavors.